



## Appendix 2

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### Part 1

Is there anything missing or would you like to make changes to the outcomes and or strategies in each strategic direction?

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### Part 2

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### Part 1

#### Strategic direction 1 – An ecologically sustainable Inner West, 144 responses

1	Live up to "diversity and inclusion" with cognitive diversity, by including voices and opinions that are different to the council groupthink on environmental issues. Start governing like adults, not like scared children and learn to live and negotiate with dissent
2	Stop herbicide use in the Inner West; create more food gardens in parks, close more roads and car parks for trees and community spaces, discourage/ prevent more large shopping malls and businesses such as Woolies, Macdonalds, etc, create more social housing, create environmentally sustainable paid work opportunities for local unemployed people, support local initiatives such as Alfalfa House Food Coop and Lentil As Anything, create real work opportunities for local older people.
3	Do so in open, honest and transparent consultation with ratepayers and in a timely manner.

4	More emphasis on restoring plant and birdlife. More emphasis on preparing for climate change.
5	I think we should be increasing and expanding biodiversity corridors and natural areas, not just enhancing the existing ones.
6	Mandate renewable energy technologies as conditions in DAs. Reverse the controversial tree policy that has seen tree cover significantly depleted since its adoption.
7	<p>Lovely motherhood statements but do people realise the implications? Does Council stick by its planning instruments? No and No.</p> <p>Sustainability is a convenient way to hide increased building densities. See <a href="http://www.sos.org.au">www.sos.org.au</a></p> <p>Adhere to Council's own planning controls!</p> <p>The IWC Independent Planning Panel recently (Oct 2021) approved a subdivision creating a battle axe block and co-living 12 bedroom 12 bathroom building in an R2 residential zone at 32 Albert Parade Ashfield. Both are not permitted in low density zones. Inner West Council ignored its own planning instruments which states these would not be permitted.</p> <p>I want to know how and who approved the upzoning of 2 Cavill Ave Ashfield? Why were residents not properly notified. Increasing the building heights to 10? storeys. Why did Council remain silent? You know the community do not want increased densities and heights. Why did you not object to the state government and Planning NSW on our behalf?</p>
8	With regards to sustainability there's a welcome passion for reducing – reducing electricity/gas use, reducing water use, reducing waste – I would like to see this passion also brought to transport with specific goals around reducing car use (not just getting around with renewable powered electric cars). Something that makes a place great to live, and lowers green house gas emissions, is being able to get around without a car.
9	more emphasis on reducing cars, trucks and increasing bike and pedestrian infrastructure
10	Actively educate residents on waste management and the impacts of waste, littering etc. The programs on appropriate recycling are largely passive. IWC's garbage service is about collecting bins rather than dealing with waste e.g. emptying the bins but not dealing with spilled waste around them. If the bins are in parks then the rubbish blows everywhere, goes into stormwater drains, pollutes the Cook River etc. There is no joined-up thinking, program or strategy.
11	<p>'- Inner West Council hasn't done enough to educate people about waste disposal. People still don't understand how to use each bin</p> <p>- what about food waste? People that live in houses should be eligible for a food waste disposal service as well</p> <p>- Inner West Council's stance on trees is ridiculous – when trees damage private properties, that's a problem, however Inner West Council doesn't care – trees before people, unbelievable!!!</p>
12	Support for electric vehicles

13	<p>Inner West is a zero waste community with an active share economy CHANGE to include Inner west is a zero waste COUNCIL and community .....</p> <p>Inner West is a zero emissions community that generates and owns clean energy CHANGE Inner West is a zero emissions COUNCIL and community that generates and owns clean energy action Develop a transport network that runs on clean renewable energy - INCLUDE councils fleet vehicles</p>
14	Would like stronger Council policies that reduce private motor vehicle use and promote walking, cycling and use of public transport as part of tackling climate change.
15	I would like to see smaller bins for vegetable scraps etc
16	Responsible management of street trees. Planting of street trees where ever possible and replacement of unsuitable trees, especially those that have outgrown their location presenting a public health and safety threat and causing damage to old buildings
17	Yes there is a major deficiency and that is there is no recognition of the fact that there will be a referendum on the 4th December about demerger of Council if more then 50% of the residents wish to demerge and return to smaller Council's all this so called "community engagement " should include that possibility.... otherwise it is just nonsense.
18	electric vehicle charging - many streets don't have garages, so implement charge stations on power poles or facilitate on-street charging
19	The strategy contradicts Council's current policy, so has no guarantee of credibility. Council's recent change to tree removal has resulted in the reduction of tree canopy to just 19%. How can I support a strategy that does not acknowledge that in the recent past, Council has actively opposed an ecologically sustainable Inner West?
20	<p>Common sense. Appropriate street trees to be planned by sensible selection. Trees that cause damage by way of roots and/or falling branches to be removed.</p> <p>Owners rights to remove trees causing damage to their property without having to jump through red tape hoops or stubborn arboreal staff. Free use of green waste to transfer station for residents and maximum loads for commercial operators be regulated and reasonably charged (local business' only). Quick road and footpath repairs. Remove limits on parking permits for residents. With the high cost of housing, young adult children may need private transport to commute to workplaces not readily serviced or practice by public transport (eg. Young apprentices needing tools for work).</p>
21	<p>Please put a Return and Earn recycling point for bottles and cans in the main centre of Ashfield.</p> <p>Perhaps in a convenient location next to the shopping centre.</p> <p>Please also put these Return and Earn points in other central areas within the Inner West Council.</p> <p><a href="https://returnandearn.org.au/how-it-works/">https://returnandearn.org.au/how-it-works/</a></p>
22	<p>Dear Inner West Council,</p> <p>Thankyou for the opportunity to give feedback.</p> <p>Primarily, a plan for 2036, or only 15 years into the future is just a short term plan.</p>

	<p>The Inner West Council, like all Council areas in Australia and globally should have a medium term plan of say 100 years and a long term plan of at least 1000 years into the future (Possibly in perpetuity/infinite)</p> <p>I know this may sound funny at first, but given what we have done to the planet in the last 200 years, and what we have discovered at COP26, planning just 15 years into the future just isn't going to provide adequately for future generations.</p> <p>Some points to consider:</p> <p>Australia's immigration rate is unsustainable. The immigration rate should be just to replace the deficit in our birth rate, or not too much more.</p> <p>We don't have the infrastructure, water or other resources to sustain our current rate 15, 50 or 100 years into the future.</p> <p>In order to solve the global warming crisis, we need to end pollution and end deforestation. We also need to pay people well to grow food and create non-polluting products locally.</p> <p>It is almost impossible for governments to drive this and it must be driven by corporations. If corporations put similar long term plans in place, they will see the need to drive this change. Councils can work with corporations to facilitate growing food and producing non-polluting products as close to home as possible. People will need to be paid well to do this, and imported goods will be charged at their full rate of contribution to global warming / climate change, and also social impact like human slavery.</p> <p>e.g. a plastic toy produced somewhere in the world using human slavery and coal fired technology transported by oil powered technology to a local store, only to be used for a couple of years and then thrown away, will be hugely taxed, but growing food locally will be subsidised. Advertising for the toy will also be banned. Kids can start learning how to cook amazing meals with local produce. Local chefs and farmers will be the most highly paid jobs.</p> <p>We know this works - taxes were raised and advertising was banned on cigarettes - as a result we reduced our smoking rate from something like 70% to just 15% since the 1970's. A similar thing will happen for pollution and deforestation through these simple means.</p> <p>If we fail to do this our future generations are doomed.</p> <p>If you doubt any of this, please see this website, organised by the venture capitalist who got google and amazon started, John Doerr. You can send him all your ideas: <a href="https://speedandscale.com/">https://speedandscale.com/</a></p> <p>It is by local councils working with giant corporations, we will be able to "Make Our Planet Cool Again"</p> <p>Thanks for everything you do!</p> <p>Best wishes,</p>
23	Safe cycling and walking infrastructure to reduce the impact of transport
24	always more trees
25	There is much there about recycling of life matter, however one of the biggest issues we have in our society today is with people who are broken from traumered lives as children. And on that site you people want to sell off, lives are molded back

	<p>together , when are you people going to stop this land grabbing for profit and start prioritizing profit into peoples heart and souls. all you government people wing and whine about drugs and the damage but here you are wanting to take away a huge property that sustains damaged people into getting their lives back together. The rehab's on calam park site contribute to focusing on building lives from within ,But here Government comes to show how they can make everything pretty, this is a move to further damage and constrict people from being able to change and grow and that to me is worth fighting for. Privatizing may create jobs and change the landscape but where is the real heart to protect the most vulnerable people of our society ?</p>
26	<p>Keep the population diversity and housing affordability that we have valued so dearly. Ensure that the commercial interests of high density living agendas don't force out local industries into more remote inaccessible areas and negate the opportunities for arts and entertainment providers to live affordably and in proximity to patrons.</p>
27	<p>Detailed strategies, fully costed on how to achieve these strategies.</p>
28	<p>Please stop politicising the Inner West Council. The council should be focused ONLY on core deliverables such as effective garbage collection, recycling, development decisions. The above issues (i.e. public transport, sustainable environment, green infrastructure) are all outside of the council's control and appears to be pandering a political agenda.</p>
29	<p>Better attention to street trees. Let us know when and why trees are removed. Also when trees are removed why does it take over a year to replace them? Surely the removal of a tree and planting of a new tree can be done on the same day? How much power does Energy Australia have over the council when it comes to "pruning" (done with a chain saw and apparently no arborist skill) a street tree ?</p>
30	<p>Counsellors and the key planning decisions they make by way of DA support/approval should have accountability for putting these strategies front and centre.</p>
31	<p>Manage on going parking shortages for local residents by installing resident parking permit scheme throughout LGA. This will stop unnecessary additional traffic within the LGA and generate more frequent use of public transport links.</p>
32	<p>Please add reference to cleanliness including clean and tidy surrounds, free of dumped rubbish and unauthorised graffiti, both of which are current scourges of the inner west</p>
33	<p>YES I am disgusted by the Councils lack of response to a serious environment issue.</p> <p>I have been making representations to all levels of govt regarding your continued failure to comply with environment sustainability and OH&amp;S act spraying me and my property with pesticides and herbicides, causing the death of the native plants in my back yard. Inflicting me with chronic airways disease and most likely the cause of my Tripple Negative breast cancer, Q. the 5 other close neighbours with breast cancer. The CSIRO directed me to the following Med Pub website</p>
34	<p>Stormwater harvesting</p>

35	To help with the statement of zero emission community may i suggest legalising e-rideables such as e-scooters and skateboard to allow commuters to commute using these options which create zero emissions while getting people to places were public transport cannot and good replacement when public transport breakdown such as the light rail.
36	Something about well-being and social connection
37	Cycling network in Ashfield near train station specifically needs upgrade to make some dedicated track. Best is to construct dedicated cycling track from Ashfield station to Summer Hill, Ashfield station to Cooks River track and Ashfield station to Haberfield track. Shared cycle track is very dangerous for kids and parents alike.
38	Composting facilities for apartment buildings
39	I put no as good survey design would provide a third option - eg in part. The devil is in the detail. for the most part they are worthy sentiments however my knowledge of specific policies - means that I disagree with some of the approaches.
40	zero emmissions and zero waste? how about a little realism.
41	The strategy looks very promising, but I believe that more detailed planning in relation to the transition of the council transport fleet to electrification needs to be provided, as there has been little or no detail provided to date. I would suggest the first step would be to maximise solar panel installation on the roofing of the council depots to turn them into mini power stations capable of charging the council fleet of electric vehicles. The next step would be to provide an assurance that all council vehicles and equipment procured from this point forward would be electric whenever this technology is available.
42	Yes there are two items missing from my perspective. First, given the number of homes in the inner west that do not have on-site car parking this strategy should include investment in high powered EV charging stations in residential streets, to encourage greater uptake of EV technology. Second, Inner West Council should have green waste collection that includes all food waste. The Byron Shire Council has had, for many years now, weekly green waste and recycling collection and general waste (to landfill) only once a fortnight. Food waste should not be going to landfill anymore.
43	Dedicating space to growing food is wasteful - better used for general recreation or bush rehab. Zero emissions should be a State / Federal initiative - council should stick closer to its reason for existence
44	Paths upgraded and fixed for bikes and e-scooter use
45	we have to many people in our LGA we need more councilors to better represent the people
46	I feel that the IWC should make sure that these plans to enhance the green space and make a sustainable ecologically footprint are achieved without wanting to propose more cafes in our parks and bushland settings as part of the deal. People need to be free of the burden of consumerism - that will make it sustainable.
47	Reduce light polution to better support nocturnal wildlife (replacing street lights with low spill, more targetted fittings/ setting controls for light spill from dwellings)

48	Point 4. of the zero waste paragraph: could we add – strongly encourage all major stores to move to recyclable packaging, and particularly to remove all polystyrene from packaging from all sources. At the moment, the only place I can find to recycle it is in Lidcombe at a cost of \$20/car boot load.
49	<p>The inappropriate cycle path on Livingston Road, is utterly useless. It has taken away parking around Enfield, George and Pile streets for rate paying residents. Visitors to homes and the cafes cause congestion. There are very limited cyclists using the poorly designed path and any serious cyclists still ride on the road along with the traffic on both sides of the road.</p> <p>The difficulty parking in the same street as my home has caused more mental anguish than any COVID lockdown. It severely limits night time outings that require me to use my car. I am very distressed about this matter especially after I submitted comments during the proposal stage and read many similar submissions, but the path still went ahead. Why? I don't believe a proper survey or study is ever done to gather data before decisions are made and implemented.</p>
50	<p>1- Make the library 24/7 accessible</p> <p>2- Improve public transport accessibility and cost so that people rely less on car, avoiding traffic jam that has huge opportunity cost</p> <p>3- make meals more accessible and cheaper so that people can eat out and save time for more important activities. Think Meal as a service and millions of hours of opportunity costs</p>
51	<p>Houses - house with lands are increasingly inaccessible for most, it is a real privilege to own a piece of land nowadays, hence we should put greater responsibility on land/home owners to maximum green space in backyards. Implement compulsory enrolment in backyard biodiversity corridors programs, set minimum requirements for green space in proportion to land size (restricting concrete slap and house extension development that leaves no room for green space) and set ratios of native plants/beneficial plants in everyone's backyard in order to build nature corridors within an urban setting. Provide help when it comes to gardening so people have no excuse to be "lazy", make it a rule that if you want to own a house, you have a duty to maintain green space, otherwise heavy fines for those who do not comply.</p>
52	<p>'Can I propose that council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro work together, in a future-thinking initiative, to provide a row of charging stations for EVs near to the Enmore Theatre, Sydney.</p> <p>This will encourage the uptake of EVs in the inner west by residents around this street, and allow visitors with EVs from outside the vicinity to park and charge close to the very popular Enmore theatre and Enmore Road.</p> <p>I'm proposing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- step back the pavement between existing street trees, creating single car spots along the street, to allow electric vehicles to park legally and safely on that side of the one-way Trafalgar Street Enmore. This will allow council garbage trucks, ambulances, fire trucks, and other large service vehicles clear access on this narrow street. Currently, cars park beside the pavements on both sides, allowing an very narrow passage for traffic.</li> <li>- install charging stations servicing each of these spots;</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- mark this side of the street "for EV car use only"; four hours for non M3 residents; unlimited for M3 residents. Further, make it a finable offence for non-EV vehicles to park there.</li> </ul> <p>I am keen to see Inner West Council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro support rapid transition to zero-emissions electric vehicles to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- help NSW reach net zero emissions by 2050</li> <li>- support cleaner, more sustainable communities</li> <li>- encourage NSW consumers to purchase electric vehicles</li> <li>- expand the Inner West Sydney electric vehicle charging network.</li> </ul>
53	It's a nice plan, but worthless unless supported by a plan on how to execute, with clear deliverables, checks/audits, timelines, responsible persons, and BUDGETS that are controlled and adhered to
54	<p>Zero waste is too low an objective. We should be looking to lead Sydney, NSW, Australia and the world. Why are we not aiming to for a negative impact to reduce our historical emissions?</p> <p>The strategies are very loose and meaningless without metrics. How can the inner west have allowed so many trees to be cut down in the last 2 years and still believe these strategies hold or they are compatible with the outcomes?</p> <p>The inner west is one of the highest impacters on the environment in the world per capita. Why is the council not looking to provide stronger leadership beyond motherhood statements so we can change this metric around?</p> <p>What about community batteries to connect to residential solar panels? There are many more things that that the council could do</p>
55	Trees, green spaces for native animals and birds as well as people. Keep it as green as possible, please.
56	Deamalgamate
57	Specific priority for active transport for walking and cycling infrastructure and specifically cycle lanes in Ashfield Ward
58	I would like to see food waste recycling bins in every suburb (they are available in Ashfield at present?). Other Councils eg. Randwick have already put them in use.
59	<p>You have not had a strong presence within the community. It is disappointing that there appears to be a lack of understanding when it comes to energy resources i.e. someone running an air conditioning unit over a redwood fire is far worse for the environment.</p> <p>The people or company that you use for the bins and recycling are a disgrace - they leave more mess than they collect. You also do not have a recycling solution, nor strong education policy on recycling. You don't offer composting and we have to pay for this privately - it is short sighted.</p>
60	<p>Firstly, although I agree with the strategies in principle, I believe the strategies should be short term strategies over the next 3-5 years, if we truly want to make a difference and affect change as quickly as possible, before it's simply too late. I also believe that the strategies should be much broader.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle" should be one of the Council's mottos.</li> <li>2. Make sure your message is loud and clear that people's big purchases, such as cars, white goods, water heaters, etc. should have big environmental benefits by</li> </ol>



encouraging the purchase of electric cars, the most efficient appliances and solar hot water.

3. The Inner West should be going plastic free and encouraging organisations to do the right thing. Consumers should be encouraged to use reusable bags when they shop, ditch single-use water bottles, bags, and straws and avoid products made from or packaged in plastic whenever possible (e.g., select unwrapped produce at the grocery store, shop local, cut down on online shopping).

4. Boycott products that endanger wildlife by threatening their habitat, from cutting down old-growth forests to using up the water that riparian species need to survive. Remind people to shop conscientiously and look for products made from sustainable materials like bamboo and dine at restaurants that refuse to serve imperilled species like bluefin tuna.

5. Remind people to pay attention to labels. If you're a coffee drinker, look for "shade-grown" coffee, which is grown while keeping forest habitats intact for migratory birds and other species. Choose Fair Trade certified goods when possible to support companies dedicated to sustainable production and paying workers a fair wage. Buy organic food whenever possible; it may cost a little more, but it keeps harmful pesticides out of our land and water, protecting farm workers, wildlife and your family.

6. Encourage Everyone to Be Water Wise. Skip the use of bottled water, take shorter showers, fix leaky toilets, and choose low-flow and low-water appliance options.

7. Drive Less. Be Green. Walk, bike, carpool or use public transportation whenever possible. Combine errands to make fewer trips. Participate in, or start, car-free days in our local community.

8. Encourage Everyone to Green their Home. Remind people that keeping their home in shape improves their energy efficiency. Things such as adequate insulation and energy-saving windows, programmable thermostats for more efficient heating and cooling — and, of course, incentives for energy-saving lightbulbs for more efficient lighting.

9. Encourage Everyone to kick the fossil fuel habit. This is critical to saving wildlife, slowing climate change and protecting our lands and waters. Advise people to pick green electricity suppliers that generate at least half its power from wind, solar and other clean sources. Also explore the options of large incentives for encouraging people to install rooftop solar panels or solar water heating in their home. Encourage people to add clean power to the grid, further offsetting their carbon footprint.

10. Take Extinction off Your Plate. Meat production is one of the most environmentally destructive industries on the planet, responsible for massive amounts of water use, pollution, greenhouse gas emissions and habitat destruction. We have three chances a day to improve the health of the planet — by reducing our meat consumption we can reduce our environmental footprint. Australian households throw away 2.5 million tonnes of edible food each year — that equates to nearly 300 kilograms per person, wasting all of the natural resources that went into producing it. Prevent food waste with smart, planned shopping and creative ways to consume what we purchase.

	<p>11. With more than 7.5 billion people in the world, and more every day, our demands for food, water, land and fossil fuels are pushing other species to extinction. We can achieve an ecologically sustainable population in ways that promote human rights; decrease poverty and overcrowding; raise our standard of living; and allow plants, animals and ecosystems to thrive. It's time to talk about runaway human population growth, the species extinction crisis, and what kind of future we want for wildlife, the planet and ourselves.</p> <p>12. People should not be allowed to remove trees of any height from their property unless it's dead or dangerous. The Inner West Council should adopt Marrickville's Street Tree Master Plan to "increase the urban tree canopy through sustainable new and replacement tree plantings and maintain street trees throughout the local area". The tree plantings should also ALWAYS be native to Australia. The Inner West Council should be made up of candidates with strong environmental platforms. It needs to urge our State and Federal Government to pass stronger policies to limit greenhouse gases, fight climate change, protect our wildlife and public lands and support access to reproductive health services. Better education and access to family-planning services decreases family size and our overall carbon footprint, helping children and wildlife thrive.</p>
61	Active transport is most important for zero emissions
62	Focus on advocating public transport improvement and usage (noting it is a State government issue beyond the budget / constitutional power of IWC).
63	<p>The strategies don't seem to relate to anything specific, so measuring how well they are being or have been delivered is difficult. I would like to see more specific actions, in particular related to improving active transport infrastructure throughout the inner west - it has so many positive impacts, from improving the health of the population, reducing our impact on the environment and making our neighbourhoods more livable. A connected system of separated cycleways simply has to be a priority with a delivery date not 10 years away, but starting immediately. We've seen during the pandemic that it is possible to create pop up cycleways that can then be converted to permanent ones and the city of Sydney has shown that if they are built with community use in mind, they will get used.</p>
64	<p>Broadly supportive but there are a few areas of concern:</p> <p>1. Trees policy. Having residents lodge DA's to prune their own trees or remove obviously problematic/dead trees has gone beyond common sense and is now regulatory over-reach. 99% of residents love the leafy area and this kind of over-regulation is not needed, adds expense already to stretched budgets, including many elderly who live in houses where they have to pay thousands of dollars for tree assessments/DA's on top of the high price of professional arborists. If council wants to tell land owners what to do with their trees then maybe you should pay them, or else council has effectively nationalised people's private trees but without properly compensating people. Educate and support but please stay out of people's backyards. This is not a communist country.</p> <p>2. Develop a transport network that runs on renewable energy. Apart from garbage trucks, council is not in the business of running transport networks. Another example of council losing sight of its core responsibilities and veering into state</p>

	<p>and federal responsibilities.</p> <p>One thing that council could do to reduce greenhouse emissions is to revisit the need for ridiculously wide roundabouts (see Carlton Crescent), and speed humps everywhere that cause constant accelerations/braking. If the goal is to stop people going over say 50kph, then forcing cars to go over speed humps at 20kph is not exactly an elegant or proportional response to the problem. Maybe a time for some creative thinking on how to keep roads safe.</p> <p>Another thing council could do is to build proper cycleways. Closing off car lanes or removing parking to place short cycle tracks that don't connect to anything is costly and absurd. A case in point: the light rail which passes underneath the intersection at Grosvenor/Carlton Crescent has a bike track which goes OVER, cutting into car lanes feeding into the roundabout, then directs people onto a footpath. Why can't council work with the state govt to run the cycle track under the road?</p>
65	<p>Regarding "flora and fauna" considerable habitat area within the LGA is controlled by the State Government, so there needs to be a common focus in addressing things like weed control. Considerable money gets spent planting native plants which is great but it is then over run by weeds. An example is the light rail power supply at Dulwich Hill, it was planted with excellent native plants but is now totally overrun by bad weeds like Madeira Vine and Turkey Rhubarb. If the IWC area is to be improved then it needs all parties to be onboard.</p>
66	<p>We need to find a way to create more jobs for teenagers and education for older people on the importance on sustainability . Please bring life back to Leichhardt and in particular Norton St</p>
67	<p>include active transport and cycling as a strategy for ecology sustainability</p>
68	<p>Heritage needs to be protected. In the last few years we have witnessed countless 100+ year old houses being torn down. There is an ecological cost in this practice rather than utilising the existing housing stock. Not only that, the developers get there hands on these larger blocks and then build out to the max. We are losing land which has affect on urban heat plus ability for ground to absorb moisture - no amount of tree planting in concrete paths will negate this last point.</p> <p>Also, we have witnessed large trees being removed from yards - in one case we suspect poisoning. Council and its staff responsible for tree canopy should be empowered to properly investigate these issues when they come to light. I left my contact details with reception and was advised the person responsible would call back and they never did. In protecting our trees I would like to understand what are the practices that council is employing to register, track and ultimately protect our larger and older trees in our neighbourhoods?</p> <p>On environment, over Covid I have noticed the amount of litter in our streets and parks - and not only disposable face masks. None of the actions above address the issue of litter. We need to educate people that to protect the environment it starts with our own actions, whether it is coffee cups, vapes or chip packets.</p> <p>Council should be out there campaigning against single use plastics in our local stores and restaurants. Please add an action to address each of the three points outlined above and if confirmation is required do a poll to see if people agree.</p>

69	I would like to see the council move away from political ideology and focus on providing the services to residents such as fixing sidewalks, parking, repairs, graffiti removal that are relevant.
70	Free soil sampling so local residents can grow at their home safely.
71	Upgrade cycling links ,make them clear create ,make without compromise so 8-80 years can cycle for their daily needs
72	Discourage car usage in the inner west by making more streets one-way streets, pedestrian-only streets, or add green islands in the middle of streets (like on Belmont, Lawrence st in Alexandria). Also reduce parking spots, especially in areas close to a train station/public transport.
73	Protection of Wolli Ck bushland / bush along Cooks River
74	Please deamalgamate
75	The goals are good. I'm concerned that actual delivery is weak though. In a short section of street in Ashfield in the last year we have lost 3 large (over 20m high) private trees from front gardens, and will lose three others (over 30m high natives) soon, to the coming Woolworths development, despite them being on the very edge of the site and eminently preservable. Secondary dwellings have changed the skyline as large trees in back garden are removed regularly. We requested a street tree for the front of our house last month, we have a narrow grass verge, but were knocked back as it was considered too narrow; this in a street that doesn't have a single street tree. I think there needs to be an education campaign for cat owners that they keep their pets in at night. We are regularly visited by a neighbour's cats which disrupts our mission of bushing up our garden in the hope that small birds will come. The big picture plans of Council are good, but if the 'on the ground' decisions don't support these ideals then it's all only words.
76	Focus more urban tree canopy planting
77	Clean InnerWest Council of corruption and developer influence. De-amalgamate council. Return to basic services - repair of roads, collecting of rubbish and maintaining green spaces. Since merging this has gone by the wayside. Also, find efficient to decrease rates.
78	I would add that since the Inner West's tree canopy has been reduced to 17% compared with a city-wide average of 40% that URGENT and immediate action is needed to address that problem: the planting of saplings will not address it: mature trees must be provided by the State govt, private developers, and all others who have contributed to this deforestation and increase in urban heat, and it must be addressed within the next 12 months, not the next 15 years.
79	I would add a strategy aimed at reducing the noise and other pollution generated by the use of extremely loud and polluting equipment for maintenance parks and sidewalks etc. Ecologically sound ways to provide employment and undertake necessary work.
80	Better transport options - especially bicycle paths
81	Within the section "Inner West has a diverse and increasing urban forest that supports connected habitats for flora and fauna". Incentivise or encourage

	<p>retroactive breaking up of concrete surfaces and paved areas for the planting of diverse ground cover, community growing space and canopy. Especially on blocks with apartments and a lot of paved areas or generally paved or concreted spaces in private property. As most of the green space is in private land, a lot of change is required as a part of that land mass.</p> <p>Within the 'The community is water sensitive, with clean, swimmable waterways' goal, increasing the soil structure of our parks, median strips and other spaces to actually absorb rain and prevent storm water run off and flooding. Using the earth as a sponge.</p> <p>Also continuing education on the rainwater harvesting</p>
82	Would like the organic/composting program used for units to encompass a program for houses that do not have worm farms or composting
83	Where is the opportunity to comment on delivery of particular strategies? We will not achieve the outcomes unless we are delivering well. The CSP sounds good, but in one of my particular areas of interest (urban forest and connected biodiverse habitats) opportunities are being lost to deliver.
84	no
85	Urban green/ Tree streetscaping.. imperative!
86	Demand more from developers to achieve this. Insist on rooftop and vertical gardens from large businesses. Make waterways swimmable NOW, ASAP. Top priority. Eliminate the introduced rodent problem. I'd also like to see better, less cursory, responses from council to enquires. So far I have not recieved a single adequate response to any query.
87	The sooner the better and more jobs doing these things.
88	Council should not give residents the option to opt out of tree planting outside their properties to help tackle climate change. It should be a choice of tree only but there must be a tree where staff say there should be.
89	De-amalgamation, because the Inner West Council is hot garbage and everything is worse now.
90	Incentivise people who
91	Divert organic material from landfill - a place to be able to compost in the community outside of rental units etc
92	<p>Council permits construction after construction and refused to even look into matters arising from investors of strata whose interest are making owners like myself live in danger of life and property damage and water system contaminated. With the recent strong wind a rear t/h tree broke and fell over onto my end, and the other half of the tree is also risky. Went to lodge an application and sent photos " risk to property and people", again the response is an excuse not to look into it. Investors take no responsibility to maintain their trees and repeatedly endangered the neighbours and the council did nothing to investigate and threw the question back to the residents. The recent tree snapped would not have occurred had the council action the complaint and now the same response is dished out that council does not involved. Those strata managements are least worried about wrong doings and council take no action, not even a phone</p>

	<p>call/letter/investigation.</p> <p>We paid our rates and we are made to live amongst investors managed by casual strata management company. No action with reported risk to property and life from Leichhardt Council. If the CJC attempted to get the strata representative to mediate, I seriously do not see that Leichhardt Council in the vicinity even bothers to consider the matter, let alone the liability. Maybe a legal action to the Land and Environment Court is seriously the last resort if one wants to live in safety of one's house as the Legal Aid Advisor for Strata has suggested.</p>
93	<p>The strategies are bound to fail due to the Council's inability to use ratepayer's money in a responsible and sustainable way. The Inner West LGA has a long and inglorious history of financial mismanagement punctuated by embarrassing cost blow-outs like the Ashfield Aquatic Center and Town Hall redevelopment.</p>
94	<p>Stop putting the trees in already narrow footpaths, and put them in the road instead, as council used to do, to maintain decent accessibility.</p>
95	<p>More support for Local renewable generation &amp; storage &amp; a scheme/network that can virtually share that electricity with residents &amp; businesses within in the council area. e.g. if you are exporting solar from your house during the day, instead of receiving a payment from you retailer, that electricity should offset against the local school's or community centre consumption &amp; vice versa.</p>
96	<p>More compost recycling unit options for local homes where garden compost heaps can't be used - can there be a small bin like the red one that gets picked up each week? I realise you might need pre-configured carts or trucks to carry this biodegradable waste but it's worth it, especially with the current promotion and focus by OzHarvest/Woollies/Coles on food waste and cutting back on buying and then throwing out unused food.</p>
97	<p>Divestment - moving any financial assets to ethical banks that don't invest in fossil fuels. Encouraging staff to move their Super to ethical funds.</p>
98	<p>"Outcome 4. Strategy 2 - Develop a transport network that runs on clean renewable energy" exceeds the council's remit and delves into State operations. I would like to see council roads planned in a way that minimises stop start traffic and reduces CO2 generation to provide freer flowing, more time and energy efficient travel - incl more roundabouts, more one way roads where parallel roads allow and greater opportunity for left turn only and merging traffic.</p>
99	<p>"net zero emissions" will only be possible by stopping activities such as combustion barbeques, gas cooktops (in restaurants and homes) acetylene welding, plasterboard manufacture, concrete production, animal husbandry... in addition to addressing tasks that are more readily converted to electric power such as water heating, home heating, cooking ovens, motor vehicles, etc. It is my view that NET zero is, for the next few decades at least, a much more realistic and just as effective ambition.</p>
100	<p>Combat light pollution. Poor use of artificial outdoor light disrupts the natural patterns of wildlife, contributes to increasing our carbon footprint, disrupts our sleep, and obscures the stars in the night sky.</p> <p>Replace white street LED lights with warmer tones or add filters to them. I'm 100% for reducing our energy consumption and carbon footprint but, the white LED lights are terrible. All street lights must also be properly shielded.</p>

	<p>All strata building have their lights on all night long; it's an absolute waste of energy and creates unnecessary light pollution. Some of these lights are so strong they light up all neighbour buildings including bedrooms etc.</p> <p>Can the Council make it mandatory for movement sensors to be installed and require lights to be installed close to the ground, directed and shielded? If not, can the Council raise awareness on these issues and promote light pollution Solutions? Let's bring the stars back! Go Inner West! You can do this!</p> <p>Thank you Council</p>
101	<p>SUMMARY OF SUBMISSION – REVIEW OF INNER WEST COMMUNITY STRATEGIC PLAN (CSP) CONSULTATION REFERENCE:</p> <p>OUR INNER WEST 2036: STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1 An ecologically sustainable Inner West</p> <p>The CURRENT Inner West CSP STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1 as above needs a stronger and a broader focus on SUSTAINABILITY, RESILIENCE, AND CLIMATE CHANGE.</p> <p>PROPOSED REVISED: CSP 2036 STRATEGIC DIRECTION 1: A RESILIENT, SUSTAINABLE, CONNECTED INNER WEST</p> <p>In relation to the application of RESILIENCE to the current Strategic Directions of the CSP 2036, the following Outcomes could/should also be applied:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Resilient People –our diverse community is healthy, adaptable, inclusive, and connected</li> <li>• Resilient buildings – our buildings are safe, well-designed, affordable, and sustainable</li> <li>• Resilient places – our places can withstand the challenge of climate change, sustain biodiversity, and support vibrant, connected communities</li> </ul> <p>INNER WEST CSP 2036 – RESILIENCE AND SUSTAINABILITY</p> <p>The Inner West CSP 2036 needs a more comprehensive and high-priority actions to enhance the resilience and sustainability of our people, buildings, places and governance. There needs to be more engagement in activities that develop resilience, including volunteering and caring for our elderly through community services. We also need to develop planning controls to ensure new buildings are sustainable, and better adapted to withstand the impacts of climate change.</p> <p>BACKGROUND – RESILIENCE</p> <p>The global Resilient Cities Network, formally the 100 Resilient Cities initiative pioneered by the Rockefeller Foundation assists cities worldwide in improving their resilience to social, economic and environmental challenges. In 2015, Sydney became a member of the global network and the Resilient Sydney Program was formed to build the capacity of Greater Sydney to respond and adapt to shocks and stresses. The Resilient Sydney Strategy: A Strategy for City Resilience, using the 100 Resilient Cities City Resilience Framework, was developed in 2018 in collaboration with State Government, local councils, businesses and the community within the Greater Sydney area. It sets the direction we must take to strengthen our ability to survive, adapt and thrive in the face of global uncertainty and local shocks and stresses.</p> <p>Resilience: In Relation to Inner West CSP 2036 Strategic Directions 1 and 4:</p> <p>Resilience is our ability to cope through tough times and emergencies including natural disasters. It can be defined as the capacity of individuals, communities,</p>

institutions, businesses and systems within a city to survive, adapt and thrive in the face of chronic stresses and acute shocks they experience.

A positive model of resilience that promotes health and well-being involves resilience at three levels: • Individual – building resilience in our personal and professional practices, adopting a positive attitude and supporting ourselves, our family, friends and neighbours to adapt to challenges and cope in the face of adversity. • Community – building resilience through our workplace, volunteer work, social groups and our social networks, and accessing local support, resources and services within the community to withstand, cope and recover from shocks and stresses. • System – building the capacity of systems to anticipate, withstand and recover from shocks and stresses by proactively adapting and transforming through planning, policy, placemaking and the introduction of sustainable and resilient financial and social mechanisms.

Many other parts of the NSW Government are involved in resilience building, including strategic planning organisations such as Infrastructure NSW, Greater Sydney Commission and the NSW Department of Planning, Infrastructure and Environment; research entities such as Adapt NSW; and operational agencies such as Transport for NSW, NSW Fire and Rescue and the NSW National Parks and Wildlife Service.

GOOD DESIGN – GOVERNMENT ARCHITECT NSW – BETTER PLACED 2017

“A focus on good design will help create resilient cities and places that mitigate and adapt to the effects of a changing climate. Decisions made now will continue to affect our lifestyles for decades into the future. Design can help explain the interrelatedness of things such as climate and resources in managing risk and unintended consequences.” Better Placed: An integrated design policy for the built environment of NSW, Government Architect of NSW 2017

INNER WEST DELIVERY PLANS

Resilience and Sustainability actions in any revised CSP should also be embedded within Council’s Delivery Program and Operational Plan, and a Resource Plan should be developed and aligned with the Resourcing Strategy to determine how Council will deliver on these actions and our commitment to build a more resilient Inner West.

SUSTAINABILITY

Sustainability is a process of ensuring the wise use and management of all resources within a framework in which environmental, social and economic well-being are integrated and balanced. Sustainability is a shared responsibility between government, business and the community with each party playing a critical role.

Taking our lead from the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, and our obligations under the Local Government Act 1993, Council in partnership with the community SHOULD strive for sustainable outcomes across the following four (4) Sustainability Pillars: Environmental Sustainability; Social Sustainability; Economic Sustainability; Civic Leadership & Governance.

CLIMATE CHANGE

The past decade has highlighted the unprecedented scale, intensity and frequency of extreme weather events associated with climate change. We know



we are likely to experience an increase in these risks across our Sydney region. A critical shift is occurring across communities, businesses, and governments worldwide. Climate change is no longer a potential future threat, but rather a global emergency in need of urgent action. While we can't predict how climate change responses will develop globally, we must do our part to reduce emissions and prepare for climate impacts.

Climate change is not solely an environmental issue. It has implications for every aspect of how we live – our social systems, economic systems, and the natural systems upon which we all depend. We need to act quickly, decisively, and collaboratively to make a difference.

The environment and climate change are a significant priority for residents and stakeholders and the Inner West community is looking for Council's leadership on these issues. The overwhelming message is that we need a coordinated and collective response that is underpinned by an ambitious, municipal-wide emissions reduction target.

Local government is uniquely placed to help promote sustainability and build community resilience, which can lessen the impact of shocks and stresses on people and the environment and minimise social, environmental, and economic costs. This is especially important for vulnerable people in our community, who may find it harder to bounce back.

Consideration should be given to the development of an INNER WEST ENVIRONMENT STRATEGY 2020–30, including support for the following goals:

- Become a zero-emission, climate-ready city and region
- Create greener community spaces
- Contribute to a circular economy by reducing waste
- Protect, enhance and restore our region's biodiversity
- Achieve better integrated water management through planning and design

The INNER WEST CSP should consider including the following OUTCOME STRATEGIES:

- Improve thermal comfort in pedestrianised places
- Provide robust playing surfaces in parks and ovals
- Implement 'safer by design' principles and practises in highly pedestrianised areas and open spaces
- Review planning policies and guidelines to facilitate resilience outcomes in new developments
- Conserve and extend urban tree cover
- Implement innovative and sustainable bushland management
- Manage and protect foreshores and waterways
- Implement sustainable stormwater management through best practise water sensitive urban design (WSUD) and pollution control
- Promote shared-use of infrastructure corridors to optimise benefits to the community
- Conserve and interpret Aboriginal heritage
- Facilitate growth in walking and cycling, including expansion of cycle and pedestrian infrastructure
- Protect employment lands
- Stimulate the night-time economy and reinvigorate declining local centres.

102	More spaces that are vehicle-free, more bicycle infrastructure
103	Looking after existing green spaces & verges needs to be a priority. At the moment gardens are put in, green verges are put in and then left to over grow.
104	Ecological sustainability and housing sustainability are inextricably linked. Rampant development for the benefit of developers, investors and landlords trades the long term health of the inner west for the short terms profits of a wealthy few. Council should do everything in its power to curtail for-profit development that doesn't meet the needs of residents.
105	Reverse decision allowing residents to cut down trees at a certain distance from the dwelling. This is not policed at all.
106	There should be more incentives for people to walk/ride their bikes to the local shops and avoid driving
107	The site on 120C Old Canterbury road in Lewisham is a mess for many years. I am the owner/resident of 107/20 McGill Street Lewisham. My balcony is facing the site, which is used to store construction rubbish, chemical containers, used batteries. It is a bare ground, with no grass or trees. No dust control is provided. Wind blows dust around, our balconies are always dusty, dust comes inside units. The owner is not caring about us, not starting the construction. I complained to Inner West Council, my complaint went to nowhere. I live in Inner West which is far from exemplary urban forest.
108	Would like to know more about how to volunteer to local communities - think it would be great to introduce such programmes to local schools. With Covid I am sure there are lots of opportunities to volunteer
109	Would just like to ensure that green infrastructure includes reducing car trips and improving cycling and pedestrian infrastructure
110	Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality. Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change. Rapidly reduce community emissions.
111	More focus on encouraging active transport - walking and cycling.
112	There is nothing in here about active transport - walking and cycling - and reducing car dependence. Connected network of separated cycle lanes is crucial throughout the IWC and linking to CoS ones.
113	The most effective way to reduce our climate change contribution is to reduce the amount of space and money dedicated to car infrastructure. Give people alternatives, particularly cycling and walking spaces, and it will reduce emissions, make air cleaner and have enormous mental and physical health benefits
114	More trees and food waste recycling bins for all residents even if they live in a unit block of 9 dwellings or less.
115	More wildlife corridors.
116	I would like to see cycling infrastructure extended so that it works for cargo bike, families and riders that are not commuters, just passing through. This might include widening paths, slowing traffic, widening driveways and removing the curbside lips, developing more shared zones that are not just footpaths,

	consideration given to removal of footpaths to make fully shared zones and planting trees in the centre of wider roads (to cool and slow traffic). Also think about pedestrians, changing beg buttons to disadvantage cars instead of sustainable options like bikes and feet.
117	Should be more focus on walking and cycling
118	Would like to see better cycling infrastructure as a way to move towards zero waste.
119	There is little flexibility or empathy for residents trying to meet the bureaucratic processes forming the ways council enforce these strategies. Also the council's own waste management services routinely leave refuse and rubbish strewn in gutters and on pavements as a result of their bin emptying processes. It sets a very poor example to residents.
120	2. Facilitate *public and private* transport options that run on clean renewable energy
121	<p>There should be a strong focus on improving the bicycle infrastructure to encourage low carbon, active transport. It should be integrated with the cycle network for surrounding councils.</p> <p>The focus on urban biodiversity should prioritise native species and seek to control the damage done by invasive and feral species, such as domestic cats.</p>
122	Focus on increasing cycling infrastructure e.g more bike lanes and making Sydney a more cycling friendly city
123	Greater focus needed on upgrading our main streets such as Ashfield eg supporting businesses to paint their historic facades and street cleaning
124	<p>A wider &amp; more integrated bicycle lane system. My wife is very influenced by being able to feel safe while riding &amp; she is not alone. A more functional system of safe, separated cycling paths would make a huge difference to the environment, physical &amp; mental health &amp; free up roads for cars that have to be there.</p> <p>Breeding boxes in trees for birds &amp; possums would make a difference for increasing breeding-site security for wildlife. They have to be situated properly, but I see trees in nature (not, sadly, in Marrickville) that provide natural breeding sites to multiple species simultaneously, but those sorts of trees are very rare in my neck of the woods. I'd like to see more opportunities for wildlife 'houses' while the tree canopy is restored.</p>
125	<p>1. It would be great to see you support ownership of renewable energy by residents/businesses, but how do you propose to do that? One way would be to support businesses to install solar to have electric charging parking spots (as in the Netherlands). I cannot think how you would help residents do anything about renewable. Not enough detail in your plan.</p> <p>2. Trees should be able to be removed if two mature trees could be planted in their place, maybe of certain approved species.</p>
126	Under The people and infrastructure of Inner West contribute positively to the environment and tackling climate change:

	6. Provide infrastructure and develop policies and actions that place active transport as the highest priority in the transport hierarchy.
127	For "1. Provide the support needed for people to live sustainably" it's crucial to have a safe and connected bike network across the whole LGA. Please speed up the implementation of the bike network by allocating more funding, more people resources and having an annual target for the length of bike network completed.
128	<p>Access to green space is unevenly distributed in the Inner West. These areas also often have poor tree canopy. This is a particular issue in areas that are mostly constituted of older multi-story brick apartment buildings. The heat island effect in these areas is often quite pronounced. These areas are also often where more affordable apartments are located, meaning that residents on lower incomes are more impacted by the heat while also lacking access to nature. Council should focus on improving access and tree canopy in these areas to address the current equity issues.</p> <p>Similarly, access to green transport and recreation corridors is unevenly distributed in this LGA. Council should work to build green walking corridors that connect areas without access to the existing facilities. Projects like the Iron Cove Creek walk and cycleway both provide a green recreational and transport corridor while also expanding access to bigger facilities for residents. Council should work to deliver more projects like this.</p>
129	Bikes bikes bikes!!! I moved from Canberra and greatly miss riding my bike to work in the city but the road between the Bay (Timbrell Park) and Anzac bridge though Leichhardt and Lilyfield is not safe enough for me to ride, especially in the dark. We need to link up the existing bicycle paths to make them more usable for commuters.
130	The Inner West actively represents safety and equality whether that be gender /race /religion /education /mental health /physical health /first nations. The Inner West does not tolerate bullying and violence whether that be coercive /physical /financial /psychological /sexual /spiritual /domestic /non-domestic /within the community /business /institutional /schools.
131	<p>Proritise No 2 Green Corridors and 3. Protect, conserve and enhance existing natural area sites for species richness and diversity, and create picnic dog free areas to maximise the diversity of usage for all residents, instead of increasing off leash areas for dogs as most of the parks in the inner west eg.Punch, Callan, Birrung and Ewenton parks have been overrun by dogs and this has degraded the 4 parks and scared seabirds away eg, the beach at Callan Park used to have Herons and stilts and I have not sighted any recently due to excessive dog use. Regenerate the native areas and expand them and fencing of plantings while being established.</p>
132	<p>Recycling in apartment complexes seem to have some issues with either education or accountability/compliance. Because it's hard to know whose trash it is, it seems common to have some people fill up the recycling bins with plastic bags, non-recyclables, and things that could be recycled if prepared better (Eg. A cardboard box which still has packing foam in it.</p> <p>I'm not sure the most effective method to achieve better participation, perhaps an education initiative (multilingual, clear pictures), perhaps example s of common</p>

	recycling mistakes. Perhaps resources for schools to teach younger children about sorting recycling. Perhaps clearer laminated posters to hang in common trash areas.
133	More education for locals to enable everyone to reach these goals More repair options and local options to give away furniture
134	plant more trees in the streets. Council should encourage more tree planting on private properties by educating people about the benefits of trees. Education/workshops about different species, flower types, attraction for birds and bees, height , foliage, care etc.
135	Target ways to lower air pollution. Increase green spaces, including kerbside gardens
136	I feel the current communications to residents in terms of: what and how to recycle what to recycle in what bin what the ramifications are of rubbish – especially plastic gloves and masks and bottle tops and plastic wrappings etc etc.- being dumped on the streets. A clear communication needs to be shown of what this human behaviour is doing to our waterways and marine life.
137	Your new rules making it easy to destroy trees in private property run in glaring contradistinction your plans for an increasing urban forest and must be changed to avoid hypocrisy and doublespeak.
138	The previous Council did not comply with the requirement regarding protection of tree canopy and this needs to be a priority with the new council. Huge loss if trees on private land due to new council rules which must be revised.
139	Protect residents amenities in terms of protection from air and noise pollution and antisocial behaviour for households living near entertainment zones. To have a comprehensive alcohol strategy. To tackle the adverse effects of alcohol consumption on communities' welfare and environmental amenity. To reduce opening hours of pub and bar and restaurants to ensure a quiet environment for sleep for residents between 10pm and 8am and to reduce vandalism and antisocial behaviour including assault and other forms of violence in residential areas close to entertainment precincts.
140	This Strategic Direction should be the main one, and feed into all of the others. It won't be possible to have a healthy, bustling main street if the main street has been swept away by climate-induced flash flooding. Being a zero emission community is the right aspirational goal to have. Please focus on building a safe, accessible, and convenient bike network so that more people can travel with zero emissions now. Waiting for electric cars to be available, and lower in price, means continuing to pollute our local air, and to emit greenhouse gases. Please write a new Outcome and supportive strategies for good indoor and outdoor air quality. Strategy 1.1.1 should make living sustainably the default for residents i.e. active and public transport should be more convenient than driving a car, accessing renewable energy schemes should be easy, accessible, and widely known (such as Haystacks – this is a great project but not many residents seem to know about it, or have time to look into it) Outcome 1.2 – are trees and plants being selected with climate change in mind?

	<p>Please add "resilient" to this Outcome.</p> <p>Outcome 1.3 – the addition of clean, swimmable waterways is great – I want to be able to take my children to swim in the river locally and not have to trek across to the beaches!</p> <p>Outcome 1.4 – really like the inclusion of community owned energy generation. Resilience through community owned, or batteries on schools, should be added</p> <p>Strategy 1.4.2 should prioritise walking and riding bikes for transport, as these are the only widely accessible forms of zero emission transport. These are more equitable too – instead of buying a +\$50,000 car a really good cargo bike that can carry the kids and the shopping is just \$8,000.</p> <p>Use of electric motor vehicles (such as charging and parking) should not encroach on space for walking and riding a bike</p> <p>Please include measurable targets to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Rapidly reduce community emissions in the Inner West LGA (e.g. &lt;40% by 2025, &lt;60% by 2030)</li> <li>~ Reduce the number of private vehicles in the Inner West</li> <li>~ Increase the proportion of trips taken on foot and by bike,</li> <li>~ Reduce the distance driven per private vehicle,</li> <li>~ Include sustainability and active transport KPIs for the CEO and GM contracts,</li> <li>~ Include "Sustainability implications" alongside "Financial implications" on the items on Council meeting agendas,</li> <li>~ Phase out gas in Council assets and assist householders and businesses to disconnect the gas,</li> <li>~ and ensure all Council staff have completed climate change education and communications training with specific specialised training for senior staff and certain roles (e.g. Transport, planning etc.)</li> </ul>
141	<p>Strengthen climate action targets. Build a safe, accessible bike network throughout the LGA within the next Council term so riding a bike for transport is possible (and zero emission transport is possible now). Create more greenspace and playgrounds.</p> <p>Please include an indoor and outdoor air quality outcome.</p> <p>Good to have local renewables and batteries for better resilience in emergencies. Include lower energy consumption please.</p>
142	<p>I am a homeowner, and have tenants in the Inner West. I want stronger community climate action targets to be set so my assets do not end up underwater.</p> <p>I also would like the Council to focus on a safe bike network so my tenants can use this.</p> <p>Finally, my daughter and grandchildren live in the IW. I want my grandsons to be able to ride their bikes to school safely.</p>
143	<p>More specific mention of cycleways for improved and increased cycling that reduced environmental impact of motor vehicles</p>
144	<p>I support these goals as a good starting point and would love to see them taken further. There should also be a clear focus on stronger emissions reductions. To support reduction of emissions, as well as community health, wellbeing and mobility, council should also focus on building and extending safe bike networks for all ages as quickly as possible.</p>

## Strategic direction 2 – Unique, liveable, networked neighbourhoods, 149 responses

1	There are 6 points grouped together to force agreement with all. 4 of them are good, and two are not. This "survey" isn't a survey – it's push-polling to arrive at a pre-determined narrative and agenda.
2	<p>'To update/ refresh the last outcome – the strategies should be clarified/ updated to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ensure there are high quality dedicated footpaths on every road/ street;</li> <li>- ensure good quality, legible pedestrian crossings, with priority for pedestrians/ cyclists, especially in proximity to all major centres and all local centres/ villages</li> <li>- accelerate delivery of a high quality, safe, legible, network of strategic bicycle paths, with a focus on delivering continuous, dedicated, separated bicycle path infrastructure which is fit for all users from ages 8 to 80.</li> </ul>
3	Again, in timely, open, honest and transparent consultation with ratepayers. Listen to what the community wants don't tell them what you have decided to do.
4	Include Aboriginal heritage in sections referring to protecting heritage. An obsession with protecting European heritage and character from a short period of our history often restricts progress on acknowledging and restoring natural heritage and aboriginal heritage that came before that park or building from 1900–1930. Don't just "encourage" diversity of housing type and price in new developments; enforce or regulate for it with rules and conditions in the approval process.
5	It would be great if we could add in an item stating that the Inner West has a long history of light industrial spaces and the council should work on ensuring that there are spaces to allow for new ideas, concepts and industries to develop.
6	Enforce the planning controls and frameworks to protect the heritage and quality of the inner west.
7	Nothing about council explicitly doing what it can to reduce socioeconomic inequality
8	Protect and expand low rise neighbourhoods, private back yards, single houses, heritage and conservation zones. Protect our tree canopy, open spaces and urban bushland. Actively protect native fauna and flora. Not just lip service.
9	<p>I'm not entirely sure what's meant by "low-rise" when we say "satisfaction with the protection of low-rise residential areas". I would hope that includes "missing middle" style housing like du/tri/quadplexes, courtyard buildings etc. as well as permitting mixed use like cafes/restaurants/corner stores. These are the kinds of neighbourhoods I love the most in the inner west.</p> <p>I'm a bit skeptical with the word "innovation" when it comes to complex planning and transport issues, as it's generally a euphemism for autonomous cars. I think a lot of the inner west's problems can be helped, or even solved, by looking at the low-car strategies employed in cities around the world, like London, Paris, Copenhagen, Barcelona and most of the Netherlands. None of these utilise "new" technology, but perhaps the ideas would be classed as "innovative"?</p>
10	more support for electric of all kinds
11	Pavements and roads need increased maintenance including more regular maintenance of footpath lawns and trees.

12	I would hope that this framework does not lead to Inner West saying no to all change. Eg Not necessarily the best thing to always retain existing public spaces - there could be a better option for public space which was a trade off with keeping existing ones.
13	I agree with the policy and know there are mechanisms in place to achieve them (i.e. No.2.2 retaining character and heritage within neighborhoods), however, they aren't strong enough and Council officers are not applying them in line with the policies. So while residents support the policies and can work towards them, Council officers also have a duty to ensure they are trying to achieve these strategic directions including being appropriately trained to understand their role in achieving them.
14	Can't see any visible results from the council advocacy. State government just seems to steamroller everything.
15	Inner West Council doesn't hold developers to account - what about making them provide more for the community. I have hundreds of units being built in my street and what do we gain from it - nothing!
16	More support for pedestrians and cyclists. More cycle paths. Close more local streets to pedestrians only and calm traffic.
17	Planning and development controls should be standardised across metropolitan NSW. The idea that each little local council (created by drawing arbitrary lines across a cadastral map) should develop its own unique, cumbersome and complex planning controls is, quite frankly, unsupportable and ridiculous in 2021. We are NOT inner west residents, we are residents of metropolitan Sydney for goodness sake and planning in NSW needs to be made much less complex and far, far, far more accountable!
18	Public spaces are high-quality, welcoming and enjoyable places, seamlessly connected with their surroundings . INCLUDE Advocate for and develop planning controls that retain and protect existing AND ACQUIRE public and open spaces
19	Agree with the transport & strategies listed, but would like to add a strategy or two that is explicit about reducing parking & movement space available for private motor vehicles so that more space can be created for walking, cycling and landscaping. Modest parking charges can fund the walk, cycle and streetscape improvements. Reducing motor vehicle space and speeds would make the Inner West considerably more liveable and affordable.
20	I would like to see the use of Private Certifiers end and council do all the building inspections, especially after the disaster we had with our neighbours and the damage to our home. Also to keep the village vibe of Glebe and the heritage building kept, and the high rise apartments to stop.
21	Maintenance of existing roads, herbs and gutters.
22	As previously noted
23	I would like to see "uplift and improve public spaces to promote greater engagement of the broader community and optimise usage of public assets". My primary example of this is the current campaign against development of Callan Park. I'm against unthoughtful development but I'm also against not doing



	<p>anything. The site is truly an asset to the community but due to the lack of restoration and development, it is a hazard to the community and does not cater to much of the community – it appeals to a small section that are stopping the progress of the site so it can cater to more of the community. For example, my children cannot freely enjoy the site due to the hazardous waste and derelict buildings as well as the crime and danger that we often come across whilst walking our dog and exercising in the grounds. We have also seen people toileting behind bushes etc due to no public amenities. It needs to change – it is a huge opportunity cost to much of the community and an absolute crime that it is not restored to its best state.</p>
24	<p>With regards to this outcome: The unique character and heritage of neighbourhoods is retained and enhanced – don't use character as an excuse to stymie innovation and creation of affordable housing.</p>
25	<p>Public transport should be more frequent at the weekends and public holidays</p>
26	<p>Ensuring social and affordable is truly distributed, not just dumped in the cheaper or more distant suburbs</p>
27	<p>Tighter restrictions on building high rise developments in low rise heritage areas. Rejuvenation and support for accessing local street shopping and cafes etc.</p>
28	<p>Less emphasis on parking/ auto more emphasis on active transportation, public transportation and supporting people with special needs.</p>
29	<p>While I agree in principle, these goals do not explain how Council will work with State government in areas that are beyond local government control, such as heritage, housing and public transport. Furthermore, in the matter of heritage, council has a poor record (removal of Styles Street houses, including Indigenous artwork, for a council carpark), failure to enforce restrictions on developers, resulting in the demolition (rather than the almost-as-bad facading) of heritage shopfronts on Parramatta Rd. I would like to see something beyond feelgood 'motherhood' statements to indicate how council plans to do better in future.</p>
30	<p>This is just too vague to reply with a simple yes or no answer.</p>
31	<p>There are a lot of purpose-built cycle ways in Newtown, but there are none in Ashfield.</p> <p>Can you please extend your green-painted cycle paths to Ashfield? Thank you</p>
32	<p>Dear Inner West Council,</p> <p>Thankyou for the opportunity to give feedback.</p> <p>Primarily, a plan for 2036, or only 15 years into the future is just a short term plan. The Inner West Council, like all Council areas in Australia and globally should have a medium term plan of say 100 years and a long term plan of at least 1000 years into the future (Possibly in perpetuity/infinite)</p> <p>I know this may sound funny at first, but given what we have done to the planet in the last 200 years, and what we have discovered at COP26, planning just 15 years into the future just isn't going to provide adequately for future generations.</p> <p>Some points to consider:</p> <p>Australia's immigration rate is unsustainable. The immigration rate should be just to replace the deficit in our birth rate, or not too much more.</p>

	<p>We don't have the infrastructure, water or other resources to sustain our current rate 15, 50 or 100 years into the future.</p> <p>In order to solve the global warming crisis, we need to end pollution and end deforestation. We also need to pay people well to grow food and create non-polluting products locally.</p> <p>It is almost impossible for governments to drive this and it must be driven by corporations. If corporations put similar long term plans in place, they will see the need to drive this change. Councils can work with corporations to facilitate growing food and producing non-polluting products as close to home as possible. People will need to be paid well to do this, and imported goods will be charged at their full rate of contribution to global warming / climate change, and also social impact like human slavery.</p> <p>e.g. a plastic toy produced somewhere in the world using human slavery and coal fired technology transported by oil powered technology to a local store, only to be used for a couple of years and then thrown away, will be hugely taxed, but growing food locally will be subsidised. Advertising for the toy will also be banned. Kids can start learning how to cook amazing meals with local produce. Local chefs and farmers will be the most highly paid jobs.</p> <p>We know this works - taxes were raised and advertising was banned on cigarettes - as a result we reduced our smoking rate from something like 70% to just 15% since the 1970's. A similar thing will happen for pollution and deforestation through these simple means.</p> <p>If we fail to do this our future generations are doomed.</p> <p>If you doubt any of this, please see this website, organised by the venture capitalist who got google and amazon started, John Doerr. You can send him all your ideas: <a href="https://speedandscale.com/">https://speedandscale.com/</a></p> <p>It is by local councils working with giant corporations, we will be able to "Make Our Planet Cool Again"</p> <p>Thanks for everything you do!</p> <p>Best wishes,</p>
33	<p>Advocate for alternative modes of affordable housing like cooperatives</p> <p>Reclaim road and parking space as green or walking spaces.</p>
34	<p>Again you aren't really caring about people but rather \$ power control, if you truly cared you would see this site has so much pain and growth, but you want to demolish and sell it, how much are you getting for your approval? May all the pain and shame from that land be shed on all who stand to profit from its so called prettiness.</p>
35	<p>See last comment that possibly relates more to this area.</p>
36	<p>Subject to not sacrificing the freedom of choice of residents to continue using private transport without the imposition of further penalties, and without limiting access to roads and parking.</p>
37	<p>When new building/house/accomodation is submitted to the council, why does it seem that a concrete slab over the entire site is considered suitable?</p>
38	<p>Advocate for free public transport for children</p>

39	Manage on going parking shortages for local residents by installing resident parking permit scheme throughout LGA. This will stop unnecessary additional traffic within the LGA and generate more frequent use of public transport links.
40	<p>"4. Develop planning controls that protect and support a sustainable environment and contribute to a zero emissions and zero waste community"</p> <p>I'd like to know why under the current Council sustainability, you have no requirement to stop serious chemical pollution of our environment, why staff know so little about the environment that they and Councillors think it is acceptable to poison me, my plants, my dog, my bees, my fish and many trees. Also note 5 women with breast cancer amongst my immediate neighbour one man with prostate cancer but despite my constant complaints you continue using agricultural chemicals (broad leaf pesticides and herbicides) which have also killed every insect in the vicinity of Birchgrove Park. The Innerwest Council is incompetent, dysfunctional with no knowledge of their legal obligations to protect persons from harm, certainly no idea what sustainable means</p> <p>WHATS GOING TO CHANGE I ASK?</p>
41	I think we are far too fetishistic about what are often barely 2nd or 3rd order 'Heritage' buildings. To protect the first class authentic Heritage assets we need to learn to be a bit more elective. Not every old building is worth preserving in aspic. Humans like to rebuild, remake, re-invent ourselves constantly, too.
42	More open parks and open spaces required specifically near Ashfield train station. As of now, its becoming concrete jungle near Ashfield train station.
43	Yes. IWC needs specialist heritage planners as you used to have in order to deliver good heritage outcomes. Current planning policies are overall good, but the implementation by your planners through approvals are haphazard, and often appalling.
44	People still need to drive. Not everyone can walk or cycle.
45	The bicycle path network being provided is a fantastic step in the right direction, but the failure of council to provide linkages between bike paths is extremely disappointing, and is leading to under utilisation of the paths. The very simple solution is to use the current local road network as the linkages between the bike paths being built, but to give cyclists the confidence to ride on the local roads requires planning strategies by council to stop the local roads being used as 'rat-runs' by vehicles attempting to avoid traffic on the major roads. Council must address this planning failure as a priority in the strategic plan.
46	Although the walking/cycling outcome is an excellent goal, adopting 40km/h zones on major roads doesn't properly reflect the balance of what these areas are for. More meaningful strategies would be aimed at reducing illegal parking – for example, even the addition of "no standing" or, preferably, "no stopping" signage near all street corners should reduce the number of cars parked illegally on corners, which reduce visibility of and for pedestrians. This is particularly important in narrow residential streets

47	Why are you now collecting rubbish on a Sunday paying huge amounts in labor
48	We do need to always take these decisions by consulting with locals – they know best, esp. when it comes to making decisions around traffic changes.
49	Reducing speed and volume of motor vehicles for safer streets
50	<p>There is always room for improvement in public transport. More frequent and more cross inner-city buses might be useful too.</p> <p>Again to last point re cycling and walking. We desperately need proper cycle lanes on inner west roads for commuters to cities and those cycling locally to shops etc. Otherwise it is not a viable alternative to car use.</p> <p>Another issue – to promote electric vehicles – is council moving to electric vehicles in its own operations? plus providing charging infrastructure as appropriate?</p>
51	Complete surveys of the areas on numerous occasions during the week and weekends to gather data to support the changes that would actually be beneficial to the rate paying residents rather than 'tick a box' to appear politically correct. Residents are more important than temporary short term visitors.
52	<p>1- More support to buy first house should be available for first home buyers. They are suffering in this market condition</p> <p>2- House is a place to live, not for investment. Instead, direct investment towards technologies, healthcares and education. So should put hefty taxes on those investment properties. Think about future generations!</p>
53	<p>Cars – please make cars less convenient and more costly for inner west by reducing no. of car parks and street parking, adding more speed bumps on residual streets, converting more lane ways to make bigger and wider bike lanes. If you start to change the infrastructure, people will get the idea and eventually be discouraged with using a car when they realize riding a bike is a lot cheaper and easier to get around the neighbourhood.</p> <p>Also, please add more speed bumps around to slow down the cars and discourage driving, specially on the Sydney to Tempe section of Unwins Bridge Road, the houses are very close to the street, because there's no speed bumps, cars often speed down the road well exceeding the speed limit (put a speed camera there and you'll make a lot of fine revenue).</p> <p>Heritage – please put more restriction and monitoring (neighbour watch?) for people altering the heritage character of a house, removing features, concrete slabbing, knocking down façade feature etc.</p>
54	Reduce car traffic in non-arterial roads using traffic calming and lower speed limits. Design footpaths, roads and intersections for people, not for drivers convenience.
55	Public transport that efficiently connects with a variety of locations. Bike paths that connect to a variety of locations and continue unbroken so that one can safely travel the whole way. Bike paths that are sheltered from sun/rain.
56	<p>'Can I propose that council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro work together, in a future-thinking initiative, to provide a row of charging stations for EVs near to the Enmore Theatre, Sydney.</p> <p>This will encourage the uptake of EVs in the inner west by residents around this street, and allow visitors with EVs from outside the vicinity to park and charge close</p>

	<p>to the very popular Enmore theatre and Enmore Road.</p> <p>I'm proposing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- step back the pavement between existing street trees, creating single car spots along the street, to allow electric vehicles to park legally and safely on that side of the one-way Trafalgar Street Enmore. This will allow council garbage trucks, ambulances, fire trucks, and other large service vehicles clear access on this narrow street. Currently, cars park beside the pavements on both sides, allowing an very narrow passage for traffic.</li> <li>- install charging stations servicing each of these spots;</li> <li>- mark this side of the street "for EV car use only"; four hours for non M3 residents; unlimited for M3 residents. Further, make it a finable offence for non-EV vehicles to park there.</li> </ul> <p>I am keen to see Inner West Council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro support rapid transition to zero-emissions electric vehicles to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- help NSW reach net zero emissions by 2050</li> <li>- support cleaner, more sustainable communities</li> <li>- encourage NSW consumers to purchase electric vehicles</li> <li>- expand the Inner West Sydney electric vehicle charging network.</li> </ul>
57	I think more emphasis should be placed on ensuring quality cycling routes and facilities. + ability to charge electric vehicles.
58	Planning Controls are currently not worth the paper they are written on, as there seems to be always a way for big Developers to circumvent them. Council approvers need to be more engaged and make an effort to understand the longterm effects on the Inner West of what they are approving - and actually starting to apply and enforce existing planning rules
59	If you are serious about cycling with ease then there needs to be a total rethink. Go to the Netherlands. There, people cycle with ease, but here it is too risky. In the inner west it too scary, and I say this after cycling 25km into central London every day for 10 years, which was much easier than the inner west. Even leaving Balmain I significantly risks my life and have given up my bike, also not wanting to encourage my children
60	Let the tree line meet the skyline wherever possible. High density doesn't have to mean high rise. Infrastructure creation must keep up with development. Keep it green.
61	Specific cycle safety measures around every school in IWC witin 5 km to encourage replacement of car trips with cycle and walking trips 240 days a year.
62	I would like to see the introduction of shuttle services which transport people across one's suburb and into other suburbs. Currently we can only access public transport at either end of Annandale, but not from one end of the suburb to the other eg. from Parramatta Rd. to The Crescent. Neither can we easily travel across to other suburbs eg from Balmain to Marrickville via Annandale and Petersham. It is difficult for people with mobility issues to walk the more than 500 mtrs necessary to get to the nearest bus stop. Also I would like to see playground which cater for children with disabilities: they have a right to fun too. Ensure good standards of animal welfare throughout the Municipality.

63	You do not have another cycle lanes, walking routes and a clear understanding of a "shared" path.
64	not sure if relevant here – but COVID has identified the need for easy access covered outdoor areas as alternatives for activities/classes/performances where noise will not be a problem
65	<p>Yet again, these should be 5-10 year strategies. We're running out of time people! MORE PUBLIC TRANSPORT and LESS CARS! The Inner West Council along with most LEPs lack a clear position on transport. This is an opportunity to encourage low energy transport modes, such as walking, cycling and public transport by actively resisting private car use.</p> <p>The mistakes in urban design can also no longer continue. The current group of LEPs, in most of established Sydney, including the Inner West, are facsimiles of facsimiles, where the logic of zoning decisions and associated controls are lost in time and bureaucratic short cuts.</p> <p>Most people generally love the thought that most (not all) of the things needed for a good life could be within a 20-minute public transport trip, bike ride or walk from home. These are things such as shopping, business services, education, community facilities, recreational and sporting resources, and some jobs. This is what we should be aiming for!</p> <p>We should be shaping Sydney and its transport systems to achieve 20-minute suburbs within a 45-minute city.</p> <p>The concept is not about travel by car. It is about active transport (walking, cycling) and the use of public transport. The goal is that this combination of modes would offer a reasonably sized catchment area in which people, jobs and services, including recreational opportunities and nature, are accessible.</p> <p>Small buildings are better. A more diverse group of people build them and not just to sell, the accommodation is of higher quality and these building fit more lightly into existing urban spaces.</p> <p>There should be NO HIGH-RISE buildings allowed in the Inner West, only low rise. The high-rise is not the only answer. In fact, it's a very unsuitable solution that undermines the character, liveability, social fabric and even the public health of a suburb and in turn a city. High-rise=gentrification and inequality; Low rise=resiliency and affordability.</p> <p>All residential, commercial and low rise developments must be green developments. Green developments MUST consider social and environmental impacts of development and reduce or eliminate theses impacts completely, in order to create positive impacts on our climate and natural environment. They must be efficient and use fewer resources to conserve energy. They must include solar energy, grey water recycling and space for plants and trees. Low rise developments must have open green spaces. Green developments need to use minimum energy, water and natural resources that will ultimately provide good air quality and reduce wastes.</p>
66	Active transport is vital if we are to have safe, welcoming streets and liveable communities

67	Adopt the policies of Clover Moore and the City of Sydney regarding increasing the density of the Inner West to ensure the viability of services (including public transport) and diversity of the community.
68	These goals are fine, but I don't think the council is on track to deliver them. Now (or 12 months ago) was the time to be accelerating plans for connected separated cycleways and pedestrianised streets – not 10-20 years.
69	<p>Broadly supportive but mostly out of Council responsibilities or resources. For example: social housing. Is council proposing to start building public housing? Agree with the cycling but the implementation has been very poor. A case in point: the light rail which passes underneath the intersection at Grosvenor/Carlton Crescent has a bike track which goes OVER, cutting into car lanes feeding into the roundabout, then directs people onto a footpath. Why can't council work with the state govt to run the cycle track under the road?</p> <p>Also more public spaces? we have more than adequate public spaces and parks in the inner west. Why do we need to spend millions on vanity projects like the Marrickville Library, when 99% of the population has access to the internet?</p> <p>It is also disappointing to see Council not support WestConnex and the 2nd harbour crossing which is so badly needed and resorting to NIMBYISM. We need better transport infrastructure across all types : roads; trains; cycles and not just pick some cliched "green" position.</p> <p>If council wants to advocate the state govt for a game changing transport projects, what about moving the inner west train line underground from Central to Strathfield? The current train line is shut down 50% of the time on weekends, and with maintenance that causes massive noise issues for residents living close to the train line at all hours of the morning, multiple times a year, for what appears to be ripping up/replacing tracks that should require this every few years, not every few weeks.</p> <p>By moving the train line underground, all the land currently used for train tracks could be used to create more housing, parks, cycle tracks and cross streets which would improve traffic flow and unnecessary car emissions from sitting in traffic queues to get through chock points crossing North/South of the train line.</p>
70	Continue to develop active transport infrastructure to connect local shops and schools to cycleways with appropriate facilities to secure bikes at destinations. Strategy to reduce car usage for local trips.
71	On the topic of people cycling and the delivery of "Integrated networks and infrastructural" IWC needs to "walk the talk". Sydney City Council created multiple "popup" cycle paths but how many were done within IWC? The rate at which cycle infrastructure is created within IWC is far too slow. The Livingstone Rd cycle path is good but how long will it be before it is connected into a network? Cycle path plans are discussed and reviewed with community members, for example the route along the western railway line took 5 years for anything to happen and that, I understand, was made to happen as a State Government Popup Project.
72	We need to stop all the residential on street paying of parking. many streets just don't require more parking machines, We want people to visit the area. Free wifi on the streets and in cafe's and try and create a technology hub for learnings and younger students. Create a tech start up hub to show progress and room for jobs

73	Urban planning w.r.t transport isn't that complex: the less space you use for transport, the more space you have for actual 'stuff', and the less travel people need to do to meet their needs. So focus on the modes that can move the most people per m2, narrow roads, etc
74	Community housing is not a local govt issue and should not be Every ward and suburb specifically needs seperated safe for children cycle routes - Ashfield ward has no cycle paths, lanes and has no plans to change this after 10 years of anti-cycle councillors. Uniformity and equality need adresssing in the stragety wording for cycle and active transport shortfalls and blackspots
75	On heritage - demolishing victorian, federation and art deco homes comes at a cost. Much of the unique character of the inner west comes from consistent repetition of what's left of its earlier building stock. Just on our school run we have witnessed multiple older houses pulled down and it appears to be on the increase and there is no push back to halt or slow the practice. Even when residents gather to seek to protect council does not appear to be on side. If we allow this to continue we will not be able to differentiate the inner west to any of the newer suburbs with the lack of character, small block two story monoliths. In other words, on your point two we would like to see stronger actions with respect to our heritage stock and to advocate on residents behalf on state planning laws.
76	The inner west has significant levels of social house, whether this being offical or regulated housing. Nonetheless, despite the politically correct response in public, residents do not want to live next to social housing for the obvious issues that arise with this.
77	If you are to install bike lanes make sure you make them properly. The Carrington Road bike lane in Marrickville was a disaster where by it is faster and safer to stay on the actual road rather than use the bike lane because cyclists in the bike lane give way to on-coming traffic. Similarly, the Livingstone Rd bike lane that ends at Marrickville Park is also poorly thought * Cyclists using the bike lane have to dart in and around pedestrians when approaching a dissecting road AND give way to on-coming traffic. Therefore they tend to not use the new bike lane. * Local residents have lost many parking spaces on Livingstone Road and with new developments on the way parking is becoming more scarce. Finding a parking spot on the weekend is impossible...if only the people using the park would ride their bike * Motorists continue to use Livingstone Road as a short cut and speed down what you would consider more narrower section of road making it more unsafe Suggestions * Remove the stop signs for cyclists on carrington rd to encourage cyclists them to use the bike lane rather than stay on Carrington Rd * I would remove the Marrickville Road bike lane. * Make timed parking restrictions on busy times with exception to residents * Broken lines down middle of Livingstone road to give motorists a reference point of the middle of the road as currently concrete and asphalt gives a false sense of middle. * Reduce the speed limit to 40kph



	* To stop "short cut" make Livingstone Rd a dead end with the exception of bikes and buses. Create a cul de sac type end at the southern point of sydenham and livingstone rd intersection.
78	Make sure as people are older and on the pension they can afford to age in place ...lower rates
79	Actively reduce/discourage car use in addition to improving public transport.
80	Fix light rail ASAP. Build more developments in line with Marrickville Library, Tram Sheds etc.
81	Please deamalgamate
82	All good goals. Something to add is that it is no longer enough to just protect and maintain existing parks/green places. The great growth in population means Council needs to buy land to create many more easily accessible green places for people. Here in north Ashfield we have high density living with a great lack of pocket parks where people can take small children, or where elderly can sit and get a cool breeze in summer. These little parks need to be scattered in areas with alot of unit blocks so people can pop out for 20 minutes while dinner is cooking, or drop in on the way home from school, or for the elderly they have a very short walk to some greenery and a break from hot inside temperatures. As far as cycling goes, there has been little progress in the old Ashfield LGA; it looks almost the same as when we moved in 10 years ago. Hopefully the roll out of bicycle logos and a 30/40kph limit and traffic calming will be done soon. Every survey shows how people want to walk safely in their neighbourhoods, but simple little things such as safe crossing places often make getting to places not only unpleasant but unsafe. Pedestrians must be bumped up the order of considerations when changing the road experience.
83	More implementation on streetscaping - greening !!
84	Delete the sustainability spin and concentrate on preserving the heritage of the area. The overdevelopment of Petersham is an example of how the council has comprehensively failed to uphold this.
85	Stop over development: do NOT allow further high-density housing developments. The Inner West is already over-crowded, polluted (diesel exhaust from the WestConnex spill trucks leaves a black greasy sooty deposit on my white walls, curtains, and shutters), and a heavy traffic area. The only way to reduce that is to prevent further high-density housing, such as that at Harold Park, and to take a strong stand against any state govt that wants to raze the Inner West to create more pollution-generating mega toll roads.
86	Change current transport infrastructure to provide innovative and safe routes and options. For example on Elizabeth Street in Ashfield, put angled parking on one side of the street to widen the road for cars and a bike lane
87	Develop White Bay Power Station and surrounding area into a world class community space
88	Be bold with planning controls. Look to other parts of the world for innovative housing setups that are medium density and high quality with high quality shares space. Don't continue to "do things as they've always been done", really integrate

	<p>the creative and innovative solutions.</p> <p>Inner west council has a community that is largely ready to support progress and creativity in this space.</p>
89	<p>While I agree that these outcomes are desirable, in the past the Council has not made much effort to "retain and enhance the unique character and heritage of neighbourhoods". The lack of protection for heritage homes (many should be heritage listed but aren't) and the resultant demolition and construction of large, ugly developments masquerading as "affordable housing" is tragic. Once the beautifully constructed Victorian homes are gone, they're gone forever. I care and other people care far more than you realise. The local government is making the same mistake it made in the 1970s - approving the demolition of Victorian buildings to be replaced with cheaply constructed multi-storey apartments. The new buildings are cheaply and poorly built compared to what they are replacing - far removed from Victorian workmanship and also far removed from high-quality modern architecture. The state and local government seems obsessed with creating "affordable housing" and boarding houses but none of them could be classified as "affordable". They just meet the "affordable housing" criteria for bonus financial gain for the developers. Learn from Ballarat Council in Victoria - Victorian homes and other buildings are beautifully maintained - ad-hoc add-ons and unsympathetic additions are never seen.</p>
90	<p>There is a long way to go before Council's planning frameworks are clear and consistent. Respect for place, community history and heritage is not apparent in planning decisions</p>
91	<p>no</p>
92	<p>Tree planting our Urban streetscaping</p>
93	<p>I would like to see the old library site at Marrickville made into a sleeping rough centre.</p>
94	<p>measurables should be on quality outcomes. if a project needs to cost more for a better long term outcome. designs should be changed and delivery programs altered to deliver less quantity and more quality programs</p>
95	<p>This council is a joke</p>
96	<p>More, bigger and better signage at our parks so that everyone fully understands where dogs can be kept off-leash, and where not. This helps those afraid of dogs, or simply not enjoying the company of dogs, also being able to enjoy our outdoor spaces.</p>
97	<p>Ensure housing and commercial real estate stays affordable to encourage a space for everyone in inner Sydney.</p>
98	<p>The strategies are noble aspirations but will not endure beyond the first encounter with a developer's greed. Public land has been thrown away and sold to private interests for a fraction of its true value. Council should look at the neighboring LGA to see the outcome of rapacious development and construction of woefully poor quality apartments.</p>

99	<p>More active transport infrastructure (especially Ashfield which has next to none). Painting a bicycle on a road or shared footpath isn't enough - we need dedicated, segregated cycle lanes in the area.</p> <p>Fix and level the footpaths. Eg you are currently working on the paths in Ashfield Park, and repeating the same mistake of them not being level, but having a sideways lean, which must be hard for wheelchair users.</p>
100	<p>new apartment builds should have a mandatory % of low income rental housing. They should also try and provide a space for community organisation to operate out of, instead of a vacant shop front.</p>
101	<p>Lots on the affordable housing issue - this current iteration is just pie in the sky if you look at our 2021 research figures coming from ABS data and NSW Govt program research - inner west waitlist for all social and community housing still out to 5-8 years from registration, there's nowhere near enough properties or developments in suitable areas in the DA/construction stage (ie like Annies Lane on the main road in Annandale, which I understand has some intention to offer affordable housing when completed but is entirely on the wrong traffic location), highest cost of rental per week in Sydney for homes and apartments apart from inner east area has priced out many of your target community members across young and older generations who simply can't afford to live there anymore. I wonder also what the local government response is to homeless crisis in the region and also assisting local community housing providers to get eligible people into homes (like Metro Housing, Bridge Housing, CityWest Housing in some parts of LGA). Unless you've suffered from this issue directly, you won't understand how generalised your strategy goal of 'everyone having a roof over their head and a suitable place to call home' sounds to those affected - haven't touched on pet-friendly options for those experiencing income and housing stress in LGA, it's pretty stretched.</p>
102	<p>more emphasis on protecting trees - particularly large established trees in the area to prioritise their conservation over building development / home renovations &amp; expansions</p>
103	<p>PROPOSED STRATEGIC DIRECTION 2: PLACE-MAKING FOR UNIQUE, LIVEABLE NETWORKED NEIGHBOURHOODS</p> <p>PROPOSED PLACEMAKING POLICY AND FRAMEWORK</p> <p>THE intent of these comments / this submission on the CSP Strategic Direction 2 / Outcomes 2.2 and 2.3 is to advocate the adoption/inclusion by Council of a comprehensive Inner West Placemaking Policy and Place Framework, and to support a Council commitment and approach to placemaking, with respect to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a) acknowledging the role of placemaking to reinforce local identity and character and enhance amenity.</li> <li>b) acknowledging placemaking as an essential vehicle for the achievement of multiple Council and community goals.</li> <li>c) encouraging the application of placemaking principles to the design and management of physical improvements within the public domain where appropriate and practicable, and enabled by resourcing; and</li> <li>d) encouraging collaboration to develop placemaking initiatives in public places that improve the quality of life for the Inner West community.</li> </ul> <p>Placemaking is commonly described as the shaping of an environment to improve</p>

	<p>social, economic, and environmental sustainability and the community's quality of life through a collaborative approach. It is a long-term, future-oriented process involving all stakeholders in the planning, design, development, activation, and ongoing evaluation of places.</p> <p>An Inner West Placemaking Policy and Framework should align with the vision and strategic direction 2 / outcomes 2.2 and 2.3 of the current Inner West Community Strategic Plan (CSP) OUR INNER WEST 2036 and include the guiding principles and benefits of creating vibrant and inclusive local places for the Inner West.</p> <p>The adoption of an Inner West Place-Making Framework would include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• An outline of a set of guiding principles that will underpin the Council's Place Approach.</li> <li>• The building of the Council's organisation's confidence and capacity to deliver a Place Approach.</li> <li>• The facilitation of enhanced relationships with the community in places and projects.</li> <li>• The provision of guidance to Local Area Planning.</li> <li>• The informing of Strategic Land Use, Urban Design, Economic and Cultural Development, and Service Planning (including Recreation, Healthy &amp; Wellbeing, etc).</li> <li>• The providing of guidance to the place-based delivery of services; and</li> <li>• An articulate a clear definition of Place related terminology.</li> </ul> <p>The Inner West CSP should also be more aligned to other key NSW Government place-making policies such as the Movement and Place and the Smart Places Strategy, legislation such as the forthcoming Design and Place State Environmental Planning Policy (SEPP), as well as the Government Architects NSW design guide Better Placed, and the NSW Local Character and Place Guideline all of which are a response to community feedback and Government's direction to elevate the consideration of local character in NSW planning decision making.</p> <p>Furthermore the draft NSW Public Spaces Charter identifies 10 principles for quality public space, developed through evidence-based research and discussions with a diverse range of public space experts and users. The NSW Charter is closely aligned with the principles of the United Nations Charter of Public Space.</p> <p>The current Inner West CSP and Delivery Plans should be revised to support current and future placemaking projects and opportunities in the Inner West. It should outline Council's new placemaking approach to the way we will plan, design, develop, activate, manage, and evaluate our spaces for the health and wellbeing of our community. Importantly, it should also establish new placemaking ways to engage with our community to seek their input to inform future improvements of spaces, neighbourhoods, and precincts.</p>
104	<p>Given the huge increase in both Commuter and recreational cycling in the past two years, we need concrete plans to improve the infrastructure for safe cycling, including separate cycling lanes that connect north and south and east and west. So much of the current infrastructure starts and stops with no safe ways to navigate between them. Council needs to bite the bullet and recognise that on street parking on public land is a privilege not a right, this has been highlighted by the piecemeal design implementation of the Livingston Road cycle lanes. It is a</p>

	complete mess! Then there is the short section along the railway from Old Canterbury Road to Smith St, It starts with no feeders then dumps you into a dangerous roundabout. The Greeway moves forward at snail pace, given the now defunct Light Rail Perhaps its construction can be moved forward given the cost savings of having a clear corridor!
105	listen to First Nations people more
106	A direct link should be made between sustainable development and heritage. Overly strict domestic developments in the inner west are hampering people from designing and creating more sustainable homes suited to the Australian environment and changing climate. Street front heritage should be able to be maintained while allowing for innovative and sustainable development of properties to promote liveability and allow people to have full benefit from their homes. A great example is insisting that fireplaces cannot be removed from internal spaces in non- heritage listed homes. This reduces liveable space, encourages the use of polluting heating sources in homes and does nothing to benefit a heritage street scape.
107	<p>This is laughable. There are safety concerns surrounding footpaths and roads. Comments were provided on that but are not indicative from this ward of the Council in the proposed PAMP report.</p> <p>In terms of development Council has permitted demolition of heritage type infrastructure and allowed what can only be termed as 'concrete eyesores' to replace them - where is retaining character in that. Council do not keep their word. Total inconconsistencies. Lack of good works, worst kept roads/footpaths in Sydney. 'Promise' one thing, deliver nothing. Don't blame covid - been happening since before covid and no improvement. Unfortunately we had a mayor oinly interested in arts and self promotion.</p> <p>Rates - the most expensive garbage emptying fees in Sydney.</p> <p>A plan's great, but from experience, little will be done by IWC. Anything which does get passed will take forever, be done by consulltants and contractors, and not done as 'promised'</p>
108	Council should do everything in its power to ensure that the relatively low rental prices seen over the course of the pandemic are kept low to ensure that housing is affordable and renters are not bled of every cent for the benefit of landlords and property owners. A community is not livable if it is not affordable for all.
109	Sounds very ambitious and somewhat wafts in its language.
110	universal design should be a priority, as well as providing funding to make buildings accessible
111	Until 120 C Old Canterbury Road will look nice, all above is just a leap service. Act and make order at this site!
112	Beautification of high streets across all inner west suburbs.
113	Please gather input from stakeholders when implementing - Livingstone road bicycle path is unusable and had it been developed by a cyclists it would look different. As developed it increases risk for pedestrians and for cyclists

114	Safer cycling paths on main roads (with median struck dividers rather than just shared with the cars)
115	Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality. Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change. Rapidly reduce community emissions.
116	Great, but also need more on reducing car-dependency in order to improve liveable neighbourhoods.
117	People living in an apartment building give off 60% less co2 than a detached house. The inner west is an area that you can live without a car. Council should enable the construction of as much housing as possible, for environmental reasons alone. In addition, it will help to alleviate the severe housing shortage that has led to spiralling unadfordability. Concerns about 'heritage', 'character' and 'feel' should be a distant second to avoiding environmental catastrophe and helping renters and those who live here. Cycling infrastructure is absolutely key to this as well, as it reduces opposition to building on the grounds of traffic.
118	Beautify Ashfield so that people will feel more pride and care for their surroundings. More accessible design, which is inclusive to all. Social housing to be fitted with solar panels and water tanks, etc.
119	More tree planting in streets and parks. More funds for bushcare.
120	Prioritise walkability please. And make sure new developments are open to the community rather than cut off and that everyone has access to the waterside.
121	Hope to see friendlier streets with more active transport and less storage of private property (i.e. less parking).
122	Again, there is little flexibility or empathy for residents trying to meet the bureaucratic processes forming the ways council staff enforce these strategies. Regarding subdividing an older, large block, it seems council staff are far more amenable to property developers succeeding in this process that long-term owner-occupiers looking to fund a financially sustainable future.
123	I'd like to see a lot more there about access and inclusion for disabled people. Do everything possible to require/encourage private development to be universally designed. Work with businesses to help them to become more accessible, inclusive and hospitable towards people with a range of disabilities. They need to expect us to be their customers and their employees.
124	(Additional strategic direction) _Private transport is zero emissions_ Facilitate the establishment of community batteries and associated EV charging facilities in public carparks
125	The strategy should actively seek to reduce dependency on car ownership and use, eg facilitating car share schemes. It should also prioritise electric vehicles through access to charging stations, over ICE vehicles, to reduce emissions and improve air quality. The strategy should strengthen the focus on cycling infrastructure as a low carbon means of transport.

	The strategy should set a quantitative target for increased number of trees and tree canopy to improve liveability.
126	More bike lanes.Educate drivers on greater tolerance towards cyclists.
127	Cycling infrastructure really needs to be safe & connected. Thanks
128	The buses are frequent and great, I use them a lot. In say, Balmain peninsula, why don't you insist on renewable fuel buses or something, so that the public bus fleet has impetus to change? The more councils that do this, the bigger the change will be. And it is easier in a defined area like a peninsula.
129	Under "People are walking, cycling and moving around Inner West with ease", add: 4. Putting walking and cycling as the highest priority in transport planing decisions
130	<p>Re transport/cyclways... be bolder! Make some streets cycle only.. or implement routes that clearly give bikes the priority/right of way to force trucks and cars to not do goat track short cuts. Ensure the cycleways can better connect to each other... safety is currently my concern - too many near misses with impatient drivers!</p> <p>Improve and expand bike parking/lock facilities- make them under cover and bigger. For eg the Marrickville metro one is woeful. Theres nothing on illawarra or marrickville road to make shopping for essentials easier</p>
131	Stay as one merged council without cancel culture
132	For zero emissions, sustainability and livability we need traffic calmed streets to protect residents from all through traffic. And a completed safe, connected bike network. Would a target of completing 5km of cycleway per year complete the bike network by 2030?
133	<p>To allow at the apex of the roof line a single row of solar panels on the street side of the roof to allow for poor original planning in street design. This will allow for maximum solar generation during the winter months were the sun is lower and harder to capture when your street is not facing the optimum direction.</p> <p>Whilst keeping the streetscape is an aesthetically ideal, a world ravaged by heat will not be... the more we do now the better the future for everyone.</p>
134	Many of the older housing options in the Inner West are amongst the most affordable. However many are not suited to the changing environment and increasing temperatures. As someone with a disability that makes it hard for me to deal with the heat, I struggle to find affordable places to live that are well designed for the heat or have air conditioning. While ensuring that new development is sustainable and affordable is important, council also needs to look at options for improving the existing stock of affordable housing to ensure that it better meets the needs of the community.
135	Get our bike paths in as a priority. This would take more cars off the road now.
136	The Inner West prioritises walkers and cyclists over all other modes of transport. The Inner West boasts more tree canopy coverage than anywhere in greater Sydney with revegetated wild spaces and the return of native local fauna populations. All new apartment developments will have rooftop gardens and be independently

	<p>sustainable. Green and sustainable creatives will be encouraged over conventional businesses.</p> <p>Residents will be encouraged to plant natives and council will lead by example.</p>
137	<p>Strict controls to limit over development and maintain a village atmosphere, with new planning controls to ensure that each development has a larger garden/ green area and trees are retained and new plantings ensured. Currently new developments both large scale and individual residences take most of the sites and are built to the boundaries, changing the nature of the innerwest and negatively affecting habitats for fauna such as Tawny Frogmouth and Superb Wren who are endemic and can survive in urban areas if green areas are maintained and regulated</p>
138	<p>A lot of broad statements in this section that are hard to assess without examples and seem to encompass the possibility of great change or ineffective/ wasteful tokenism at the other extreme.</p> <p>For example bicycle infrastructure is a stated goal, and it matters a lot if it is a connected network of separated cycleways, or more paint-only solutions that do little to keep the young and elderly (or anyone!) safe from cars.</p> <p>Secondly there is a proposal to use planning controls to promote more liveable, sustainable areas while also respecting history and culture. Sounds great. Also sounds like a conflict between the new and the old. I would be interested to know some detail of what is being proposed and why. Not that I disapprove, but without examples it seems very broad.</p> <p>I have seen a number of examples of smarter traffic signalling being used in other countries to improve flow and reduce wait times. That might be a good area to investigate.</p>
139	<p>Low rent units with option of purchasing, similar to what is done in UK for low income earners</p>
140	<p>Phase out large buses. Introduce smaller buses that provide seating for 15-25 people, these buses should be battery powered.</p> <p>Large apartment blocks should only be passed by Council if the developers provide landscaped streets surrounding their developments. This could include shade trees, street furniture like seating and garbage bins,</p>
141	<p>In my time here I have seen livable heritage buildings just demolished by developers. No clear notification was given and it was clear this was all done in the name of the \$\$\$ and greed for whoever approved this. All government needs to be accountable for this, so perhaps better processes are needed.</p> <p>I do not agree with cycleways along Sydney Park Rd for e.g. which have had a serious negative impact on a heavy traffic area. All without decent usage of the cycleway as I have observed. Major traffic ways should not be negatively impacted.</p>
142	<p>The unique character of the suburbs in IW are being destroyed by new developments Marricville was voted 10th coolest place in world but MarrickvilleRd &amp; Illawarra Rd are being destroyed with construction of black &amp; white 6 storeyed developments with empty shops underneath. Much more needs to be done to save the heritage &amp; character of our town centres and suburban streets</p>



143	<p>Protect residents amenities in terms of protection from air and noise pollution and antisocial behaviour for households living near entertainment zones. To have a comprehensive alcohol strategy. To tackle the adverse effects of alcohol consumption on communities' welfare and environmental amenity. To reduce opening hours of pub and bar and restaurants to ensure a quiet environment for sleep for residents between 10pm and 8am and to reduce vandalism and antisocial behaviour including assault and other forms of violence in residential areas close to entertainment precincts.</p> <p>To require all food/drink and entertainment venues to have sound reduction construction/insulation such that adverse noise pollution is reduced and adverted.</p>
144	<p>Please change Strategy 2.1.4 to include planning for zero emissions, better active and public transport, and healthy air quality</p> <p>Please add a Strategy 2.1.5 which aims for twenty minute neighbourhoods accessible on foot, by bike, or by public transport</p> <p>Please change 2.3.3 to include increasing public and open space, as well as retaining current spaces</p> <p>Please add Strategies such as aiming to make local roads linear parks by including thoughtfully placed traffic filters, widen footpaths on high streets, lower the volume of motor vehicle traffic in our public spaces to make them more attractive</p> <p>Outcome 2.4: Consider changing "suitable" to "dignified"?</p> <p>Strategy 2.4.1 include good design so these homes are comfortable without huge electricity bills, resilient in heatwaves, and beautiful to live in.</p> <p>Outcome 2.5: Please add a Strategy to build best practice commuter bike parking at the local train stations, which are served by best practice bike lanes. Currently hundreds of commuters park their cars at Croydon, Summer Hill, Burwood etc. and then walk to the station. The space for parking would be much better utilised with safe, networked, accessible bike lanes for everyone (and the walk from the car would be much shorter!). These bike parking spots should be more convenient than the car parks</p> <p>Add a Strategy 2.5.3 to aim for higher frequency public transport services, and dedicated rapid transport bus options along Parramatta Road, so people on buses never have to wait for congestion from cars.</p> <p>Outcome 2.6 new Strategy to include public health, climate, and other benefits of improving bike and public transport options rather than catering for private cars in all transport decisions.</p> <p>Measurable targets</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>~ Aim for best practice mode share for bike riding, and then build the right infrastructure</li> <li>~ Increase the modal share of bike trips for people of all ages and make the network accessible</li> <li>~ Install traffic filters (such as on the southern side of Wetherill St off Liverpool Rd) to make our local roads safer</li> <li>~ Work with Cycling without Age or a similar organisation to make accessible bike options available throughout the LGA</li> <li>~ Most (unladen) trips taken for work by transport planners and engineers should be via bike or public transport. Electric cargo bikes should be purchased for those</li> </ul>

	trips that require some equipment ~ The executive should be offered salary packaging for electric bikes. If a private vehicle is proved to be necessary, this should be electric and compact (to lower embodied carbon emissions) ~ All train stations have convenient, lock up, undercover, bike parking with CCTV
145	Build a safe, separate, accessible bike network throughout the LGA over the next Council term. It should be safe for children to ride to school by themselves. Build commuter bike parking at train stations with bike lanes in the streets surrounding them, so instead of commuters parking cars all day, the space can be used by people. New social, community, and affordable should be well-designed and built to a high standard, so they are comfortable homes, with low energy bills. The CEO, senior staff, and traffic planners and engineers should use active and public travel for their trips around the LGA. The CEO should have KPIs associated with the proportion of trips by mode (bikes and public transport increase). Please include targets to increase bike and public transport mode share, and lower the distance driven by private vehicles and the number of vehicles per household.
146	Please build a safe, accessible, networked bike lane over the next Council term. Please include ambitious bike mode share targets in the plan.
147	There's no mention of Aboriginal peoples and cultures here. This should be foregrounded throughout. Mention of 'heritage' is vague and seems to refer to non-Indigenous heritage. Some of the language here is also very vague and could be more specific - e.g. "2. Identify and pursue innovative and creative solutions to complex urban planning and transport issues 3. Improve the quality, and investigate better access and use of existing community assets"
148	Improve climate impact resilience, including the building of safe shelters with battery backup power in case of emergencies.
149	address over development

### Strategic direction 3 – Creative communities and a strong economy, 104 responses

1	Not all businesses should be supported especially those that are unhealthy, unnecessary and unsustainable. All businesses should be answerable and held accountable for plastic, food and water waste as well as life cycle fossil fuel consumption. Ban plastic bags and single use plastics.
2	Have a fair, equitable and sensible approach without red tape and lengthy decision making processes
3	Would be great if Council spoke more directly to local communities in their own languages, and worked to understand of various cultures in the community across all its work.
4	These ideals need to be integrated into the planning principles. Without integration into planning processes the spaces needed for these communities will not be available.
5	Council has no clear vision for reviving the dying Leichhardt business precinct.
6	There should be an emphasis on building community wealth, the council working with local institutions to do so. Council should also be a model employer with an commitment to secure work and also working to create alternative employment pathways for those in our community in need
7	Add street art and multicultural street enhancements such as lantern street lighting in the traditional Vietnamese areas. Enhance street dining for restaurants and cafes.
8	Particularly like the idea of making Inner West a hub for creative industries supporting diversity of employment opportunities and enabling social enterprise. Could this include some financial support for these? (Eg rate reduction for a social enterprise if it met certain criteria. I realise this is in the details and not the strategy but I'm not aware of what is being done to further these goals now.
9	"Support local job creation by protecting industrial and employment lands" is very vague. What is an "employment land"? Why isn't council promoting mixed usage of light industrial, creative, commercial and residential spaces? There is lots of under-utilised warehouse, light-industry space in Marrickville that could be redeployed for housing without losing the commercial usages.
10	Nonsense – just ask businesses in the Victoria Road precinct. Neglected and Inner West Council has no idea what to do to help the area thrive
11	This is something for state government. Local government should cut the grass, collect the garbage and keep the street lights on.
12	Could add a strategy about use of pricing to better manage mainstreet parking and fund streetscape improvements. This would improve amenity & access of the mainstreet strips, helping them thrive as centres of activity and creativity.
13	A realistic budget for maintenance
14	As previously noted

15	Strengthen opportunities for and sustainability of social enterprise.
16	Good streetscapes are critical and bring life to centres and communities together. In this context, the maintenance and management of the Tempe shops is a disgrace. Please just don't focus on the larger centres... and a sensible redevelopment of Carrington Re East is well overdue.. filthy, run down and further damaged with every flood
17	Again, more vague meanderings. How can we agree with such unspecified statements? What exactly are the intentions here?
18	I would also like for Council to protect live music venues. I wouldn't like to see what has happened in other areas where people move next to an established live music venue and then complain about the noise. If you move near a live music venue, you should know what you're in for
19	<p>Dear Inner West Council,</p> <p>Thankyou for the opportunity to give feedback.</p> <p>Primarily, a plan for 2036, or only 15 years into the future is just a short term plan. The Inner West Council, like all Council areas in Australia and globally should have a medium term plan of say 100 years and a long term plan of at least 1000 years into the future (Possibly in perpetuity/infinite)</p> <p>I know this may sound funny at first, but given what we have done to the planet in the last 200 years, and what we have discovered at COP26, planning just 15 years into the future just isn't going to provide adequately for future generations.</p> <p>Some points to consider:</p> <p>Australia's immigration rate is unsustainable. The immigration rate should be just to replace the deficit in our birth rate, or not too much more.</p> <p>We don't have the infrastructure, water or other resources to sustain our current rate 15, 50 or 100 years into the future.</p> <p>In order to solve the global warming crisis, we need to end pollution and end deforestation. We also need to pay people well to grow food and create non-polluting products locally.</p> <p>It is almost impossible for governments to drive this and it must be driven by corporations. If corporations put similar long term plans in place, they will see the need to drive this change. Councils can work with corporations to facilitate growing food and producing non-polluting products as close to home as possible. People will need to be paid well to do this, and imported goods will be charged at their full rate of contribution to global warming / climate change, and also social impact like human slavery.</p> <p>e.g. a plastic toy produced somewhere in the world using human slavery and coal fired technology transported by oil powered technology to a local store, only to be used for a couple of years and then thrown away, will be hugely taxed, but growing food locally will be subsidised. Advertising for the toy will also be banned. Kids can start learning how to cook amazing meals with local produce. Local chefs and farmers will be the most highly paid jobs.</p> <p>We know this works – taxes were raised and advertising was banned on cigarettes – as a result we reduced our smoking rate from something like 70% to just 15% since the 1970's. A similar thing will happen for pollution and deforestation through</p>

	<p>these simple means.</p> <p>If we fail to do this our future generations are doomed.</p> <p>If you doubt any of this, please see this website, organised by the venture capitalist who got google and amazon started, John Doerr. You can send him all your ideas: <a href="https://speedandscale.com/">https://speedandscale.com/</a></p> <p>It is by local councils working with giant corporations, we will be able to "Make Our Planet Cool Again"</p> <p>Thanks for everything you do!</p> <p>Best wishes,</p>
20	Protect live music from noise complaints
21	what will become of the broken lives that get healed on that land currently?
22	again, see first comment. Include limiting the density of living to keep the sky visible and not risk the access to warehouses for producers, retailers and artists in an attempt to cash in on development opportunities
23	Outcomes need to be at least cost neutral to ratepayers, strategies need to include details on how they will be funded.
24	This is total rubbish the Council doesn't have the capacity to enact a plan.
25	Good to put some kind of night, glamorous shopping market near Ashfield mall as part of beautification.
26	Again - no third option - in part available. Partially support.
27	Governments are the least creative institutions and provide the least amount of creative inspiration. They should stay out of it and let the creatives do their thing.
28	This part of the strategy should be connected to housing affordability in the inner west. As the cost of living in this area rises many of the creative people living here, who have insecure incomes, will move on. I would like to see more rent controlled apartments in the inner west.
29	We don't want or need any more people being encouraged to move here. we need things at night not just during the day. the inner west creative hub would have been awesome but it was destroyed :(
30	Having good venues in the area will help - eg comedy club, jazz venue, film-screening venue, live-music venues.
31	Providing space for creativity and culture to flourish by limiting development of existing building stock in particular in industrial areas so that inexpensive spaces are available throughout the LGA and artists can afford to be here
32	Only if they do not add to congestion and reduction in available services
33	<p>1- Make the library accessible 24/7 so people can study and research more.</p> <p>2- Create toastmasters club</p>
34	Plastic - please help and support local business to stop using plastic in their restaurant and shops. Educate them and provide them with eco-friendly alternatives?

35	Take cars out of local shopping areas and cafe districts. People won't come to places overrun by polluting speeding cars.
36	Ensure that libraries continue to offer paper books. Libraries could offer objects to borrow as well, e.g. toys, board games, clothes.
37	<p>'Can I propose that council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro work together, in a future-thinking initiative, to provide a row of charging stations for EVs near to the Enmore Theatre, Sydney.</p> <p>This will encourage the uptake of EVs in the inner west by residents around this street, and allow visitors with EVs from outside the vicinity to park and charge close to the very popular Enmore theatre and Enmore Road.</p> <p>I'm proposing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- step back the pavement between existing street trees, creating single car spots along the street, to allow electric vehicles to park legally and safely on that side of the one-way Trafalgar Street Enmore. This will allow council garbage trucks, ambulances, fire trucks, and other large service vehicles clear access on this narrow street. Currently, cars park beside the pavements on both sides, allowing an very narrow passage for traffic.</li> <li>- install charging stations servicing each of these spots;</li> <li>- mark this side of the street "for EV car use only"; four hours for non M3 residents; unlimited for M3 residents. Further, make it a finable offence for non-EV vehicles to park there.</li> </ul> <p>I am keen to see Inner West Council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro support rapid transition to zero-emissions electric vehicles to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- help NSW reach net zero emissions by 2050</li> <li>- support cleaner, more sustainable communities</li> <li>- encourage NSW consumers to purchase electric vehicles</li> <li>- expand the Inner West Sydney electric vehicle charging network.</li> </ul>
38	Approving 3 towers of 12 stories on the Tigers site is NOT the way to enliven the local community and revitalise high street activity. - The Leichhardt side of Darling Street Rozelle has been looking dreadful ever since this Planning disaster has started - and will continue for many years, given the perspective of leasing the Tigers site to the Western Harbour Tunnel as a dive site..... This is NOT the way to revitalise a community: it looks awful and dirty
39	Creative industries attract innovation thinking, but the environment must not be sacrificed to the economy.
40	Please plant trees and green up Enmore Road and King street. Currently no trees planter boxes
41	Balanced open space and park facilities to change sporting facilities only having a maximum 50% share of any park, especially Cricket associations that continue to increase their share or space and money disproportionately to all other pubic users.
42	I have lived in Newtown for 16yrs - I want to leave as it has become too noisy and crowded - however, that is not the Councils fault. It is disappointing that so many shops are closed on King Street due to the ridiculous rents that the landlords seek. If there was a solution, such as the landlords are not allowed to have the stores empty for a period of time, that would be great. I think it is disappointing that you're not more careful with parking. Locals can hardly get a spot these days. This

	leads to dangerous and illegal parking. I spoke recently with a couple of traffic wardens who told me corner parking, no matter how dangerous is allowed so more people can "squeeze in"
43	see previous comment
44	<p>Agree with all of the above but again, these should be short term strategies within the next 5-10. It can be done! Most importantly, collaboration over competition and thinking big.</p> <p>When doing all of the above, remember to think outside the square.</p> <p>Here are just some ideas:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Redesign cross walks by painting colourful new crosswalks.</li> <li>2. Create rain gardens – during a downpour at a typical house or open green space, water gushes out of downspouts, across lawns treated with pesticides and fertilisers, into an oily street, and, finally, down a storm drain that dumps that pollution along with the water into the ocean.</li> </ol> <p>By building a rain garden, gutter water can be diverted into an attractive planting bed that works like a sponge and natural filter to clean the water and let it percolate slowly into the surrounding soil. Installing a rain garden isn't difficult if you're willing to dig!</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Make a Seat – to encourage people to sit, share, and socialise, one small thing the Council can do for our suburbs is to build an attractive bench or seat and place it where it's needed, creatively. There is an urban seating deficit the world over.</li> <li>4. Little free library – Council should pay for the construction and decoration of these colourful little libraries and position them across the community's laneways and streets.</li> <li>5. Add additional bike parking outside train stations and small businesses. You can commission local artists to create striking bike racks and railing.</li> <li>6. Commission more murals and street art (not graffiti!). The need for sculptures and installations extends far beyond major parks, central squares, and high-trafficked tourist areas. Illuminating the off-the-beaten-path places with high-profile public art gives the impression that wonders may hide around any corner.</li> <li>7. Forge a fancier garbage can – turn everyday urban hardware such as fences and trash cans into colourful creations by commissioning local artists. Our suburbs and in turn our city gets more exciting, eye-catching infrastructure.</li> <li>8. Commission more public art and sculpture.</li> <li>9. Light up our trees.</li> <li>10. Fight crime with neon. Especially in a city strapped for cash, streetlights are low on the priority list as they're expensive to install, maintain, and keep powered. But they've also been proven to deter crime so why not commission some artists to light up a dangerous rear lane or block with a "neon mural." The illuminated work of art will become a social-media destination after dark, putting eyes on the street at a time when the neighbourhood needs it most.</li> <li>10. Encourage people to reclaim and maintain unloved public spaces by creating a Begin a guerrilla garden uprising. Green thumbs often have private plots and backyards to grow, but they can also get on the front lines. Surreptitiously filling in</li> </ol>

	<p>unkempt lots or small patches of untended land with plants and flowers, or tossing a "seedbomb" at a hard to reach patch of land, turns lost space into lush greenery.</p> <p>11. We are all frustrated by people tagging and vandalising our properties. Council needs to find a way to work with these people and create some sort of space for them to showcase their work.</p> <p>12. Get lit – sometimes it only takes a few spotlights to completely transform a city block. Casting light on a forgotten building can bring a renewed sense of appreciation and community. Use LED lighting that displays the entire spectrum of light on external public buildings and streetscapes to brighten them up.</p> <p>13. Turn unused spaces and abandoned lots into community gardens and parks.</p> <p>14. Commission artists to brighten up ALL the signals boxes. Encourage Australia Post to do the same with their red mail boxes.</p> <p>15. Imagine if instead of avoiding our laneways or just using them as a shortcut through suburbs we could actively seek them out as spaces to socialise and play in? Check out what Vancouver has done through the "More Awesome Now" project that reshapes laneways into engaging, accessible public spaces that contribute to the vibrancy of the city.</p> <p>16. With the value of play proven to be a source of stress relief and inspiration how about building swing sets for adults. An increasing number of cities and designers are providing adults with places to relax, recreate, and workout. Check out 'The 21 Swings' project by Tous les Jours which transforms a busy median in Montréal into a highly visible space for fun.</p> <p>17. Ask kids to help design their own playgrounds. Participatory design shouldn't have an age limit. Involving children in the creative process for local parks and playgrounds not only guarantees the end results will be more engaging to the end user, but also it fosters an early appreciation for design.</p> <p>18. Fix up our bus stops. Is there a more bland and boring seat than a typical urban bus stop, a functional, feckless box of plastic? These key parts of urban infrastructure desperately need an upgrade. We need sharp and bright redesigns.</p> <p>19. Help open creative incubators with a simple goal to improve neighbourhoods.</p> <p>20. Help build better shelters. Sometimes, the best ways to help build a community is to help others who are feeling apart and alone. The Council needs to help construct more comforting and effective shelters for victims of domestic violence. You could solicit donations from the community, such as asking an interior decorator to "adopt" a room, and asking a local steel artist to create artful window displays that projected both strength, security, and beauty, etc.</p>
45	Urban hubs will not be enjoyable places if they are choked with noisy, polluting traffic. Safe active transport infrastructure is the answer.
46	Push back against Boomers demands regarding noise of local pubs. Support local cafes and bars through facilitating zoning (including in pedestrian areas) permitting business to be conducted on streets. Consider permitting permanent beer gardens and cafes in the Council's parks.
47	I agree with the goals, but the methods of achieving them need to be reconsidered. The local high streets in Leichhardt in particular are in a terrible state, and Addison Rd in Marrickville isn't much better. There are just too many



	abandoned, empty shops that have stayed that way for years, it has a carry on effect and fewer people want to visit the businesses that remain. It doesn't help that both streets are noisy with heavy traffic flows – encouraging more pedestrian and cycle traffic by creating infrastructure and making them more pleasant areas is needed to help revive these areas
48	Over the last couple of years we have lost many small restaurants, three places our dinner group treasured have gone and not all due to COVID. Our dinner group now struggles to find good and affordable places for us to eat at. It is paramount that we address this issue which can be things like landlords charging unsustainable rent increases. The issues need addressing.
49	Art and film is such a huge part of 2040, Bay Run outdoor festival, film festival near Le Montage, food trucks, markets and artisits, bring back sense of community
50	employment, inclision, shopping, culture activities need to be accessible by cycle and active transport – access via active transport needs to be central or you will just perpetuate more car driving and car parks and unsustainable transport use
51	Focus on supporting small business to thrive by reducing red tape and wait times for council applications. Once again, focus on supporting business to grow rather than political posturing.
52	Deamalgamate
53	Once again great goals. Excellent urban design of our high streets is essential. Pedestrians need to be at the core of this. We need more crossing places on main streets. For example, on Liverpool Rd where a fence was put in some years ago. Clearly people want to cross more frequesntly and easily in this location, the fence restricts people's ease of movement to browse the shopping strip and reduces the custom in the small shops along here. There needs to be a recognition that it is the people walking who bring the vibrancy and custom to Ashfield shops, not the drivers, who are mainly commuting through. Those walking need to be rewarded and supported with slower traffic speeds to reduce noise and threat, and with a signalised pedestrian crossing or two.
54	More implementation with greening main retail pathways.. and urban environments
55	Cultural heritage to this council seems to ignore colonial heritage and needs to be better spelt out.
56	Parramatta Road!! How long have we been being promised that Parramatta Rd would be 'rejuvenated'?! Instead we have an ever-increasing array of filthy, slum-like empty business windows with the odd colourful inclusion of a brothel. Really! Learn a lesson from Oxford St – once a thriving, exciting retail and arts hub, now a desolate ghost of its former self.
57	Investigate affordable streetscaping solutions and partner with community to deliver spaces that are sheltered, safe and multi-functional. Do this in a way that stretches the dollar further, current expenditure for return is not real flash.
58	The Perfect Match program is brilliant and needs Council to invest in it. For instance, why are there no Perfect Match artworks in Summer Hill? I thought the Council amalgamation was an opportunity to expand this brilliant Marrickville Council initiative. There also needs to be some investment in marketing. It's a

	<p>worthy program – let more people know about it.</p> <p>Consider making Lackey Street, Summer Hill a pedestrian-only zone. Dangerous drivers, especially at the Carlton Crescent / Lackey Street intersection are a hazard for pedestrians trying to go to and from the station and other side of Summer Hill.</p>
59	<p>Many of the factors that limit the ability of Council to achieve these aims are beyond Council control. Attracting artists and creative industries is hampered by the lack of affordable housing, diversity in retail is hampered by greedy landlords, which means only chain retailers can afford the rents, Council finds it difficult to maintain an attractive infrastructure in our retail settings. Council used to support live music in public spaces, but these have been compromised by the conovirus. Some significant retailers lost their buildings when they were sold for multi story housing. Although in some cases retail space occurs at ground level, the rents are too high to attract small businesses and creatives.</p>
60	<p>I do not see evidence that the points about urban hub/main streets and about the economy are happening. I live in Balmain. Of course, it is easy to blame COVID.</p>
61	<p>no</p>
62	<p>Support and development programmes for LGBTQI community. (employment)</p>
63	<p>Better online forms.</p>
64	<p>I hope everyone in current council gets crushed in this election</p>
65	<p>The needs of Inner West industrial areas and economic hubs need to be balanced with the needs of local residents, in particular with regards to available parking spaces. It is not fair on residents to have to circle around the block over and over again to find parking, as happens in our street a lot.</p>
66	<p>Ensure the artists and small business owners can still afford to live in the area.</p>
67	<p>The council should perhaps look to embrace genuine diversity and accommodate economic activity not reliant on facilitating the construction of multi-story poverty traps.</p>
68	<p>More rubbish and recycling bins needed in public spaces.</p>
69	<p>You've got a real chance after the pandemic health issues subside to cement the inner west area as Sydney's creative borough – lots of good things going on across the LGA in retail, design, hospitality and to a lesser extent arts and venues. But you need to figure out, along with the state and other LGA governments affected, what Parramatta Rd precinct is going to be as a priority – is it an arterial road out of the area, a light rail/less car access route into the area, or some hybrid version that is dependent on funding compromises to get fixed. I think this is the biggest single issue facing the Inner West in the next 10 years. If you get it wrong it will ruin the culture and access to the LGA.</p>
70	<p>Do not allow a misplaced desire to increase revenue and opportunity for music and entertainment to have a deleterious impact on other proposed outcomes of</p>

	increased livability. People who are being awoken through the night from other's noise are less productive, healthy and happy.
71	<p>Inner West Community Hub Strategy</p> <p>CSP Consultation Reference: Strategic Direction 3/ Outcome 3.5 and Strategic Direction 4/ Outcome 4.4 Access to services and facilities</p> <p>The current CSP Strategic Direction 3: Creative communities and strong economy / Outcome 3.5 refers to "urban hubs", and the draft Inner West Healthy Ageing Strategy Four Year Action Plan Part 1 "Staying Active": Action 1.3 proposes "Develop a community hub model to better connect older people to the broader community"</p> <p>Summary</p> <p>The Inner West Council needs a more proactive approach to a more strategically focused method in the way it develops and manages community infrastructure, and that will guide where Council's efforts should be focussed in the coming years. The aim of a proposed Inner West Community Hub Strategy would include the development of agreed vision on what an Inner West Hub Precinct will be and how the Council identifies potential Hub Precincts, sets parameters and guidelines on the Master Planning of each potential Hub Precinct and how it then engages with its community and key stakeholders regarding each project.</p> <p>Background</p> <p>Social patterns have changed noticeably since the establishment of many of the facilities within the Inner West LGA. Formerly, public halls were generally perceived as a major focal point for social activity in a community. With constantly changing demographics in many communities alongside a wider assortment of recreation choices and greater ability to access transport, the focus of recreational needs has changed. Within the Inner West, while Council continues to upgrade/modernise/redevelop current community infrastructure, it has also been observed that:</p> <p>Many of the current facilities continue to deteriorate in condition or are not sufficiently functional (such as existing Town Halls and Community Centres) and will require increasing/ongoing maintenance and upgrade programs (such as the current \$6.7m program), and this implies an increasing call on Council to offer support in future years.</p> <p>Some facilities may be beyond the useful economic life and may need to be rebuilt to ensure that they are fit for purpose.</p> <p>Some clubs/groups have difficulties in attracting new members.</p> <p>Members of the community generally have less free time, and are more discerning in how that time is spent.</p> <p>Increasing costs of equipment/playing sport means a higher commitment to fundraising, thus fewer people are prepared to be involved on committees.</p> <p>Fundraising now is focused on operating costs, with less focus on equipment replacement or facility development.</p> <p>What is a 'Community Hub Precinct'?</p> <p>The current CSP Strategic Direction 3: Creative communities and strong economy Outcome 3.5 refers to "urban hubs", and the draft Inner West Healthy Ageing Strategy Four Year Action Plan Part 1 "Staying Active" – Action 1.3 proposes</p>

“Develop a community hub model to better connect older people to the broader community”

The essence of a Community Hub is the concentration of activity that occurs and how the mix of those activities, is accessible to, and serves the needs of, a diverse range of community members.

Importantly, hubs are places that are integrated, both in terms of the programs, activities and services that occur within them, and in terms of the physical and social relationships with surrounding uses such as local shops, activity centres, public places and transport nodes.

Hubs are more than the main street or the traditional community centre. The mix of uses within a hub is more extensive and may include facilities such as a library, as well as services like health care and social support, meeting space for community groups, office accommodation for community organisations, space for community functions and events and possibly some form of enterprise, whether that be commercial or social in nature.

Hubs are also places that encourage social gathering and are designed to provide spaces for people to congregate and meet together in both planned and incidental ways.

The Purpose of a Community Hub Precinct

Community Hub Precincts are, in essence, multipurpose places where a variety of activities occur, a range of goals are addressed, and different objectives can be pursued. The key to the hub concept is integration. This can mean both integration of services, programs and activities within a multipurpose community facility or an integration of a range of activity generating uses including community and cultural facilities, shops, transport, public parks and plazas.

The purpose of hubs can be covered by four primary objectives. These objectives are:

Service coordination and delivery;

Place making;

Community building; and

Financial sustainability.

Service coordination and delivery

Hubs can provide a means of accommodating a number of social and community organisations together in the one physical space, with the goal of enhancing both coordination among services and access to them by the community. The emphasis of service coordination is on encouraging collaboration between different organisations to better serve community needs.

An additional motivator is to make more efficient use of resources, by sharing common facilities rather than each organisation having its own separate space.

Service coordination often involves bringing community services together in a single location, sometimes as part of some form of multiservice centre.

Placemaking

Placemaking is a multi-faceted approach to the planning, design and management of public spaces. Put simply, it involves looking at, listening to, and asking questions of the people who live, work and play in a particular space, to discover their needs and aspirations. This information is then used to create a

	<p>common vision for that place.</p> <p>Placemaking capitalises on a local community's assets, inspiration, and potential, ultimately creating good public spaces that promote people's health, happiness, and wellbeing.</p> <p>Placemaking uses urban design to enhance the physical quality and appearance of public places to reinforce a place's identity and make it a more attractive environment for people to gather and interact with each other.</p> <p>This mix of uses typically involves integrating community facilities such as libraries and community centres with local shops (including cafés and restaurants), public and/or private transport and often parks, schools and other service facilities such as health related or State Government support agencies. This element of place making is an extended form of colocation. It involves more than co-location of services in a multipurpose facility and involves greater integration of a variety of people attracting uses.</p> <p>Community building</p> <p>Community building relates to the enhancement of connections among people to strengthen common values and promote collective goals. These goals may include community cohesion, safer neighbourhoods, support for isolated or disadvantaged people, healthier children and families, more local employment opportunities, greater cultural recognition, or more profitable local businesses.</p> <p>Hubs can contribute to community building by providing:</p> <p>A place for community members to meet to undertake community building projects;</p> <p>A focal point in the community where people with common community interests can gather;</p> <p>A source of information for people on how to access networks, services and other community building resources;</p> <p>A local source of community building support through the accommodation of community development organisations, and</p> <p>A new opportunity for the provision of new and needed services, facilities and amenities into a community.</p> <p>Financial sustainability</p> <p>The Inner West Council should be seeking to provide quality services and facilities in a way that is economically viable over several years. Fiscally responsible management is recognised as a key issue for Council.</p> <p>The Hub Precinct model assumes that maintaining and operating a single, multipurpose hub facility is more financially manageable over the long term than other more separate and divergent models of facility provision.</p> <p>The Hub Precinct model can also involve partnerships with other stakeholders, particularly community organisations, service providers and other levels of government, who can share in not only the delivery of services and facilities but also the operation, management and maintenance costs.</p>
72	promote First Nations cultures
73	Please consider an activation of unused buildings similar to the 'Renew Adelaide' initiative

74	Encourage the formation of cooperatives, not just social enterprises
75	Provide Social outings (Bus groups) for Seniors. Visiting places of interest around Sydney and close by.
76	Has anyone looked at some shopping strips? Wrong sorts of business, rents beyond reach, etc. Perhaps councillors could do walk arounds
77	Council should revive the carnival of cultures in Ashfield, and support the Greens' plan for markets on the esplanade in Ashfield. Both will allow new businesses to garner attention and support from prospective customers while fostering a strong and lively sense of community. In addition, housing affordability should be supported through affordable housing measures and advocacy for rental control methods. Less money spent on rent means more available to participate in community events and support local businesses.
78	Not sure how you plan to cultivate and grow creative communities at the same time as protecting industrial and employment lands. Creative businesses and artisans have already found places to call home in Inner West and will continue to do so. Leave them to be creative and find their niche. STOP trying to manufacture creative communities it is an oxymoron! Thankfully the Sydenham vision was dropped, please don't resurrect it.
79	Ensure main streets in all suburbs are made beautiful. It would be nice to see the unique bulb lighting installed on all main shopping strips to become a distinct feature of the inner west.
80	Share such events via social media - FaceBook as I don't get to find out
81	Pedestrian streets!!
82	Support live music in local venues - noise complaints from surrounding households stifle the music industry.
83	Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality. Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change. Rapidly reduce community emissions.
84	This is good - expanding outdoor creative and hospitality activities and reclaiming public space from cars would be great here. Cycleways, local-traffic networks (like London), wider pavements would be crucial.
85	More local art, colourful murals that promote care for our country. Engage people in a positive way to make positive change.
86	Feels like a significant problem here is real estate prices. How does council ensure businesses can afford to start?
87	Unfortunately local economies are not thriving, employment is highly casualised and urban hubs are becoming more mainstream and bland. Traffic congestion is a real problem making main streets noisy, dirty, polluted and unpleasant to be part of during weather that encourages outdoor participation in social life.
88	You can make employment diverse and accessible by working with employers to build their disability confidence and to improve the access and inclusion of their business. You could be promoting success stories. You could work to make

	access information a standard inclusion on the website of every business and on their front door. I don't want to have to ask whether I can get in in my wheelchair. I want businesses to tell me – and publicise access features that help people with other disabilities too.
89	There should be a focus on supporting independent businesses to ensure the unique and local character of the inner west.
90	The arts are crucial to a healthy community. I saw a proposition of an outdoor performance area in a new WestConnex park. Could I ask that it be designed in consultation with organisations that might use it. Too often this infrastructure is not designed with use in mind and is dysfunctional.
91	Parking should not be paid for residents. My daughter visits me 2-7 times per week and I live just past the B1 parking area (Balmain) . She pays for parking as I eat at the cafes a few times a week. Half an hour is not enough for that. How about timed, but not paid, parking? You will need more parking police, and can issue infringements, but paid parking reduces turnover in the restaurants, I don't know how they do it. No wonder many have shut. Half an hour gets you into the post office or woolies. Of course I know that darling St parking is unpaid at the moment and it is great! But it won't last. Also, putting another level on the woolies parking lot would be a boon! Alos not paid, that parking lot is my saviour, and many other people's. It is not big enough.
92	Stay as one merged cultures bios of any cancel culture
93	Support local retail jobs by having a safe bike network and plentiful bike parking at local shops and shopping strips – by encouraging residents to ride to local businesses, they'll be less likely to jump in their car and go to shopping centres out of area. Support local creative jobs by having a safe bike network so that it's feasible to live without a car, which frees up 1/5 of income and makes living here more affordable.
94	Community access to art studio spaces and shared art/creative spaces available for low cost, or in return for community work.
95	The Inner West should be a place of flexible working arrangements so that all sectors of the community can participate in being productive and businesses from home should be encouraged. Free wifi in all shopping districts and indoor places for people to relax during the day (like libraries) for homeless people and others who have nowhere to go during the day. More safe houses and accommodation freed up for emergencies so that victims of violence and other problems do not have to move outside of the area.
96	I recommend walkable areas as promoting small business patronage. When you have to drive to get there, it favours larger businesses.
97	Improved air quality will enable safer outdoor venues and events
98	Yes... the Inner West is currently known as a great arts and entertainment hub with an eclectic mix. We need to continue to nurture this into 2036
99	There should be no more rezoning of industrial lands. Need to protect what is left of Industrial/employment lands because so much has been lost to residential

	development and South West Metro construction. Suburbs hit badly include St Peters Sydenham & Marrickville. Must not let Carrington Rd development be approved because a lot of the creative industries are housed there and it's in a major flood zone.
100	Protect residents amenities in terms of protection from air and noise pollution and antisocial behaviour for households living near entertainment zones. To have a comprehensive alcohol strategy. To tackle the adverse effects of alcohol consumption on communities' welfare and environmental amenity. To reduce opening hours of pub and bar and restaurants to ensure a quiet environment for sleep for residents between 10pm and 8am and to reduce vandalism and antisocial behaviour including assault and other forms of violence in residential areas close to entertainment precincts. To require all food/drink and entertainment venues to have sound reduction construction/insulation such that adverse noise pollution is reduced and adverted.
101	Outcome 3.3 More space for people on foot and on bike on high streets please! The Committee for Sydney has fantastic recommendations for high streets Please advocate for road speeds to be safer along high streets e.g. Liverpool Rd in Ashfield Please make the speed limit in shared spaces safer (e.g. the laneway to the north of Liverpool Rd in Ashfield)
102	Again, some specific mention of Aboriginal culture, history, and peoples would be good to see, with particular reference to arts and business.
103	Expanding the bike network in the Inner West with safe, inviting paths will also help the local economy and air quality. Bike lanes to high streets and urban hubs have been shown to improve retail margins around the world and improve air quality for outdoor dining etc.
104	address over development and changing of zones from industrial to residential which pushes creative communities our further



#### Strategic direction 4 – Caring, happy, healthy communities, 96 responses

1	Inner West has a huge homelessness problem as well as many elderly people with poor health living in poverty and casualised workers who can't get work such as myself. We need real, paid local employment catering to people's skills and experiences.
2	Ensure all communities are equally catered for not just the politically correct ones or the communities that attract media attention
3	There has been nothing in this strategic plan about the cultural diversity of the Inner West and what the priorities will be
4	Marrickville has several social housing areas and a number of elderly and disabled in the population. We should have good facilities for these residents and well maintained footpaths and footpath trees. Many of the elderly residents I speak to do not understand govt services available to assist them. It would be good if there could be some service to connect them with pensioner and elderly services and subsidies to assist living at home.
5	There could be an opportunity to add a specific reference to working towards a reduction in domestic violence
6	Make sure that Council interactions and staff are actually conducive to "caring, happy, healthy communities". Council staff are often hostile and defensive, evading responsibility.
7	Hilarious – how long was the Petersham Service Centre closed during 2020–2021? Too long is the answer. Inner West Council kept Leichhardt and Ashfield open but closed Petersham. Another show from the Leichhardt Mayor that Marrickville Council residents are not on his radar – disgraceful!
8	There is nothing more unique in the Inner West than in Newtown, Surry Hills, Chippendale, Paddington or Neutral Bay. Stop kidding yourselves that the inner west is somehow different and worthy of special treatment.
9	People have access to the services and facilities they need at all stages of life INCLUDE. Plan and provide services and infrastructure for a changing and ageing population EXPAND to include young people.
10	No, that looks to be a good list.
11	As previously noted
12	It is really important that people can access the services they need as close as possible to where they live. I would like to see more detailed strategies and actions about how Council is going to foster an inclusive community so that this outcome is not just lip service. People who look 'different' still get treated differently every day – even in 2021.
13	Making spaces accessible to people with disabilities.
14	There is no mention of ways to ensure that the LGBTQI+ community is protected, enriched, supported and enhanced.
15	Again, far too vague.

16	<p>I write in relation to the outcome:</p> <p>"The community is healthy and people have a sense of wellbeing"</p> <p>This generation of fathers is especially keen to be involved in their children's lives. Please include activities for fathers, especially Stay-At-Home-Dads. Activities could include opportunities for Stay-At-Home-Dads to form connections, to learn parenting skills, to learn to process their emotions when a child misbehaves, and for exercise.</p> <p>We are a community interested in diversity, and as Annabel Crabb writes, our society has traditionally pushed fathers out of parenting. She even writes that discrimination against men in the area of parenting is commonplace and sanctioned by Commonwealth law. (see sources below for quotes).</p> <p>Help make the Inner West Council more accepting of the role of all people, especially fathers who want to contribute to taking care of children.</p> <p>Men find they are often stigmatised and ostracised when they make the decision to care for children or to take leave from work.</p> <p>Help to make our Council area a more welcoming place for them.</p> <p>Thank you for considering this idea.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Can Council please target men in particular in terms of their need for exercise and recreation?</p> <p>This Health Department webpage says that 3 out of 4 men are overweight or obese:</p> <p><a href="https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/overweight-and-obesity">https://www.health.gov.au/health-topics/overweight-and-obesity</a></p> <p>Extract from the above link:</p> <p>"3 in 4 adult men are overweight or obese, compared with about 60% of women"</p> <p>Perhaps implement specific exercise programs for men to encourage those who find it difficult to exercise?</p> <p>For example, fathers who are working from home with children, or those who are overweight/obese and can't find a place in traditional sports teams?</p> <p>Or perhaps some basic nutritional or cooking classes for men?</p> <p>Thank you very much for considering these ideas.</p> <p>.....</p> <p>Sources:</p> <p>Annabel Crabb writes in the following SMH article:</p> <p><a href="https://www.smh.com.au/business/workplace/annabel-crabb-on-why-australia-s-culture-around-work-and-parental-leave-is-trapping-fathers-20190903-p52nd7.html">https://www.smh.com.au/business/workplace/annabel-crabb-on-why-australia-s-culture-around-work-and-parental-leave-is-trapping-fathers-20190903-p52nd7.html</a></p> <p>Extracts from the above link:</p> <p>"Men have been excluded – and that needs to shift."</p> <p>"There are so many taboos around parental leave. Men taking it is one of them. "</p> <p>"Discrimination against men in the area of parenting is commonplace; it's even – as I shall explain – sanctioned by Commonwealth law."</p> <p>"How galling is it for this generation of men (who, as we shall see, are keen to be more involved with their children than their own fathers were) to find that flexible</p>
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	<p>work and parental leave are still options reserved largely for women?"</p> <p><a href="https://www.quarterlyessay.com.au/essay/2019/09/men-at-work">https://www.quarterlyessay.com.au/essay/2019/09/men-at-work</a></p>
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18	encourage connections for older citizens to reduce loneliness
19	see first comment
20	Seems to be encroaching on State and Federal responsibilities
21	It is offensive that the Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander community is being called out here. In fact it is racist to be focusing on one group. Shouldn't the council be a place for all where all groups are treated equally with no differentiation.
22	Council should liaise with RMS concerning the timing of pedestrian lights at marked foot crossings. There are a number of crossings which leave older and/or disabled people, who can't walk quickly enough, stranded.
23	competent management
24	Would like to support a plan to make aging in IW a far more productive and generationally integrated experience. We need to hang onto resources like wisdom, mastery of vocation and life experience, as a living component of our tribal daily life. I think 'co-called 'Co-housing' concepts for older but still active community members has huge potential.
25	As in previous questions - no opportunity to say in part.
26	The question is a bit loaded isn't it? Of course people want caring, happy, healthy communities. The question is can government bodies foster such communities and the answer, I'm sorry to inform you, is no, not really.
27	Just to emphasise the importance of Council run childcare which is affordable for people in this area. The rates at the council run centres are much less than their for-profit counterparts and this is a VERY good thing.
28	These values and strategies do not support the demographics and values of us living in the Inner West. They seem to have been written by someone focusing on anything but Australia and Australian identity.
29	Why are citizens having unwanted facilities pushed on them like the bike lane on railway ave that no one uses
30	Surely there must be something about improving air quality in the local area esp. since we know that vehicular air pollution creates poor outcomes for children.
31	A First Nations voice in Council
32	Commit to tackling racism as part of cultural diversity ... under that heading of respecting and value difference ... maybe can add phrases on committing to challenging discrimination, prejudice, racism.
33	Make more bike lanes
34	Provide infrastructure so the young and old can get around safely and pleasurably under their own power and not be reliant on cars
35	Access to a public space that is quite for studying and relaxation. The library is no longer quite as people talk in it. It would be nice if the space had a variety of seating options, e.g. a desk for studying, an arm chair for relaxing and a bean bag

	for relaxing, because people have different needs/preferences. The youth section of the library currently has bean bags, but not the adult section. No longer celebrate Australia Day on 26 January as it is offensive to Aboriginal people. We could have a remembrance day on January 26 and Australia day another day. More park benches which are under the shade, as a lot of them are out in the open and the UV is strong and it's easy to get burnt, also it rains a lot these days, so would be good as shelter from the rain as well. Also, an outdoor swimming pool with a shade cover, to prevent burning. Again, there is an indoor pool but it's not nearly as nice to swim inside a building. Skate parks and playgrounds with undercover for UV/rain.
36	To be a healthy community we need clean streets, footpaths, waterways. Free of rubbish, dog poo!!!! and dumped waste. All these have become steadily worse over the years - especially that many people just throw onto the footpath whatever they don't want, as well as the (Pandemic-driven) increase in pet dogs by selfish and irresponsible dog owners, who turn footpaths and sporting grounds into "poo-minefields".
37	The wealth divide is the greatest threat to these aspirations. The Inner West must continue to provide affordable housing to those who need it. Maintaining diversity depends on it.
38	Please continue to support our libraries with paper books: they are a source of learning, entertainment and enjoyment
39	What are your policies on noise pollution given we live in an increasingly crowded neighbourhood?
40	have local, easy access 'country-specific' Aboriginal cultural programs which includes a 'meet with' male and female elders so that we can get to know who they are. I live on Wangal country in Ashfield and would love to who my local elders are.
41	All very good outcomes and strategies as long as they are actually achieved. Again, we need to have a 5-10 year plan in place as a matter of priority. Also, the outcomes for the Aboriginal community has to be at the very top of the list.
42	Again, I agree with the stated targets, but I don't see that these are on track. A prime example is the ludicrous decision by councillors to override the recommendations of the council staff and maintain the huge space taken up by the marrickville golf club in its current form. It's a nonsense to suggest that the area is accessible to the broader community because a handful of locals walk their dogs there in the evening - accessible would mean that it was open for people and families to freely roam and explore, not scurry along the muddy sidelines hoping that they don't get hit by errant projectiles. Decisions made with the majority of the community in mind, not the vocal few should be a simple priority
43	I agree, but find the need to now label every place/street/suburb by its aboriginal name somewhat tokenistic and over-used (and potentially confusing for older people). I don't believe this is an area where indigenous people have maintained an unbroken presence or native language, so though its important to acknowledge our history, it grates when it becomes exaggerated and appears like

	virtue signalling. The area is home to many cultures and immigrant groups and we also need to celebrate that.
44	We need a Leichhardt skatepark please. A proper place for kids to go and feel part of a group. A few more outdoor gyms are key and mental health support for the entire Inner West,
45	Specifically rename 50% of parks and 10% of streets and suburbs to indigenous names, not just say what you think. the strategy should be about the affect for change
46	Again. Focus on providing a productive service to residents as opposed to political issues.
47	Good goals. I think there needs to be an acknowledgement that IWC LGA is a collection of different areas. Ashfield is not Petersham. Balmain is not Dulwich Hill. People don't need to feel connected to the whole LGA, they just need to be happy in their park, at their shops, getting to their school, I think they would happily travel across the LGA for work, but not to attend a festival. The focus on belonging is fine but cannot be delivered from on high. Just give people pleasant neighbourhoods in which to walk and play and we will create our own belonging and community.
48	Residential public front Lawn pathway need replacing with bed gardens.. instead of weedy lawns.
49	Motherhood statements and not the role or a significant over stepping of the role of council.
50	Services for the Aged must be addressed immediately, not over the next '10-20' years - most of those who've already lived in this area for a generation will be dead by then. Prioritise it. Signage all over the LGA advising which Indigenous peoples inhabited the land, including info and history of their lives.
51	With access to the services and facilities we need at all stages of life, there should be some minimums for all facilities - for example safety - non-slip floors, levels of shelter from weather and sun that recognise the Inner West as a leader in responding to the fact that NSW has the highest levels of skin cancer in Australia. Don't renovate a pool to look good for the cover of a magazine, make it real for those of us who use the facility.
52	In the goal 'People have access to the services and facilities they need at all stages of life' allow spaces that are only used at a certain time of the day or year to be open to other community uses. Schools, child care centres, sporting areas are just a few of the spaces that are dead zones at times of the day or year. Open up schools as recreational space and community learning and gathering spaces. Let's create community cohesion through the valuing of shared spaces.
53	I don't see much happening to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures and history. There is no justification for ignoring the archeological assessment and evidence of Aboriginal settlement on The Mills site in Summer Hill.
54	These goals are admirable but Council resources do not appear to be applied to community spaces and places. Council's support for recreational spaces and places has been good, but resources do not appear to be applied across a range of spaces and places.
55	no

56	Support pensioners with in our community.
57	Demand more from developers to achieve this. Less car centric communities. More native plants everywhere. Eliminate rat problem. Stylish and affordable housing. Poor people should have attractive homes too. Swimmable waterways ASAP. Workshops to educate all non indigenous peoples about country and culture.
58	Your online system is the actual worst
59	Better maintain and look after our outdoor fitness spaces / gyms. The one in Camperdown Park has not been cleaned in years. Also improve signage so that dog owners don't take their dogs there.
60	Make sure services and offerings remain free to participate.
61	Whatever is said about community living, environment protection are just book print assertion.
62	Focus squarely on strategy and activity that promotes reconciliation with indigenous communities.
63	One area of this strategy I don't agree with in 2021 after the past 2 years experience working and living in the inner west and leaving it. Not sure about the demographics you are relying on for this region going up to 2036 - you'll have more younger people/families/younger stage professionals inhabiting the area as all those over 50 with the means and economic ability are retiring out of Sydney after the pandemic, so that will affect your skew of population in this time period. I don't think you should focus your infrastructure programs on an aging population for this area, rather the opposite. But if part of this strategy included building on the medical and health sciences success of the veterinary and human campus at Camperdown, which is world-class, then that will attract more work into the LGA and consequent flow-on economic markers - schools/education/creative pursuits are all used widely by those who train and are employed in this field.
64	stick to council bread and butter firstly and if there is money left then engage in. Too much council money is spent on discretionary warm and fuzzy expenditure. Invest in and subsidise activities like swimming and make them sustainable by investing strongly in renewables on roofs and recycling.
65	Aboriginal engagement strategies need to be a part of everything council does
66	Commit to having stakeholders intricately involved in the planning & implementation process.
67	Homeless and rough sleeping folks must be supported through increased shelters, affordable housing and protection from punitive lease agreements. In addition, support systems such as free meals and haircuts, and tickets to local events will relieve some of the shame and alienation associated with housing precarity.
68	affordable housing for young families, so that young people like me that have lived here our whole lives can have hope of being able to stay
69	How can we be healthy living next to unhealthy dusty site?

70	<p>Cancer Council NSW strongly encourages you to ensure the value of shade for UV radiation protection and other co-benefits are also fully recognised in your CSP as part of your community's vision for the LGA.</p> <p>Australia has the highest levels of UV radiation and the highest incidence rates of skin cancer worldwide, where two out of every three people are likely to be diagnosed with skin cancer by the age of 70. Council can play an important role in reducing the risk of skin cancer of their residents through thoughtful planning and designing of effective shade. Good quality shade can reduce UV exposure by up to 75 per cent.</p> <p>We urge you to plan and budget properly in advance for shade in public spaces including playgrounds, parks, recreation and sporting facilities, active travel networks and town centres as part of your CSP. Quality shade is an asset that is critical to ensuring a healthy and happy community. It will also assist Council in achieving other strategic directions including: An ecologically sustainable Inner West and Unique, liveable, networked neighbourhoods</p> <p>Thank you again for the opportunity to provide comment on your CSP. If you would like any further support, please feel free to contact me via <a href="mailto:Elizabeth.king@nswcc.org.au">Elizabeth.king@nswcc.org.au</a> or ph: (02) 9334 1760.</p> <p>Kind regards, Elizabeth King Chair, NSW Skin Cancer Prevention Strategy Shade Working Group Skin Cancer Prevention Manager Cancer Council NSW</p>
71	<p>Provide access to public resources and notices in other languages in a timely and accurate manner.</p> <p>Celebrate the diversity of culture in the inner west</p>
72	<p>Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality.</p> <p>Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change.</p> <p>Rapidly reduce community emissions.</p>
73	<p>Great. Also more investment in parks, promoting active transport, community fitness infrastructure.</p>
74	<p>Welcoming signage that promotes inclusivity. Celebrate cultural diversity by giving other cultures to share their produce food, rather than just two major cultures in Ashfield. Have a more cosmopolitan main road, filled with more diversity.</p>
75	<p><b>SOCIAL SUSTAINABILITY – INNER WEST COVID 19 RESPONSE PLAN</b></p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic has impacted our Inner West community in many ways, and continues to do so, including: • The economic impacts on local businesses and industries. • The impacts on the natural environment and local built infrastructure. • The impacts on the emotional, social, spiritual, financial and physical wellbeing of individuals in the Inner West and within local communities in the municipality.</p> <p>The cumulative impact of the pandemic over time is yet to be seen but is expected to significantly affect some areas, in particular: • Mental health. • Social isolation. • Business and family/individual financial health. • Reinforcing existing and creating new vulnerabilities in our community.</p>



	<p>The ongoing nature of the pandemic requires flexibility. Council needs to respond to the pandemic by implementing a range of relief measures and supporting those most at risk now, while we plan for recovery.</p> <p>The goal for recovery should be to support our community to deal with the impacts of the pandemic and build our resilience for the future. It's not just about getting things 'back to normal', it's about rebuilding, learning from this challenge and innovating, so we can emerge stronger.</p> <p>The COVID-19 pandemic has been one of the most challenging periods for public health management across communities worldwide.</p> <p>Developing an INNER WEST COVID 19 RESPONSE PLAN while living through a pandemic will reinforce the importance of public health and protection as being central to all areas and aspects of life.</p> <p>The current and impending impacts of climate change also significantly contribute to our health and wellbeing planning as we continue to adapt to climate-related health challenges.</p> <p>The Inner West CSP should outline at least 6 priorities that are central to positive experiences at all stages of life and that aim to improve our community's most pressing health and wellbeing concerns. These priorities should express Council's commitment to: 1) Improve public health protection 2) Strengthen resilience and social connection 3) Enhance active living 4) Create healthier environments 5) Embrace creativity, learning and diversity, and 6) Promote respect, care and equity.</p>
76	There is little flexibility or empathy for individual residents in their dealing with many areas of council implementation. Generally a lot of council staff – other than the customer service staff – give a distinct impression that council doesn't really care, particularly if you are not a business or developer, merely a ratepayer :(
77	I expect that disabled people are recognised as part of the diverse community you have in mind.
78	Help remove the major source of harmful air pollution by encouraging the transition to zero emission vehicles by local community energy projects and EV recharging facilities in particular
79	<p>The strategy should include a specific focus on ensuring the access and inclusion of people with disability within the community.</p> <p>The strategy should include a commitment to promoting active transport for healthy communities with a sense of well-being.</p>
80	It seems to me that indigenous & refugee communities are the most frequently demonised by our national political forces and are the most immediately in need of social recognition & welcome. I would love to see more done to celebrate those communities
81	I would not say there were enough services and facilities in Balmain for the elderly, though there are enough of us in the area.
82	Health & fitness programs eg at Annette Kellerman, could be more diverse and accessible. Current programs are limited and by booking only. Opportunity to target the middle aged & older who might not be fitness folk, but encourage to engage in healthier lifestyle choices.

83	Stay as one merged council
84	By completing a safe bike network, it enables people excluded from driving by age or disability but who can ride a bike, e-bike or e-trike to get around and participate in community life.
85	Invite Aboriginal people to participate in local community gardens and help with introducing bush tucker species.
86	Incorporate aged and child care together to enhance lives. Provide normal housing for homeless and lower socioeconomic as well-being is not achieved in a studio /boarding house room where there are only 4 walls and a bed. Everyone needs nature whether they realise it or not.
87	Pre school funding should be seen similar to State school funding. It is wrong to allow private businesses to exploit for profit this sector. Pre school funding should be paid for by taxes we pay.
88	It would be wonderful if we could provide a hub for indigenous artists to create and display their art ready to sell.
89	The council MUST construction noise on Sundays and public holidays. Residents are completely exhausted from ceaseless construction noise and utes, skips etc hogging street parking. Developers and rich renovators count and no one else has anywhere near the same consideration at present.
90	Think that access to community facilities needs revisiting. Cost to hire Community Hall at the Marrickville Library weeknight for a community meeting was over \$900 which very few community groups could afford.
91	Outcome 4.3 – please add resilience to climate change to this  Please add Strategy 4.3.3 etc which cover items such as: planning controls for good air quality and resilience to worsened weather, Council assets can be used as shelters during emergencies and are fitted with solar, batteries, efficient air conditioning, and air purifiers (with a target for the number of Council assets fitted out with this technology), and work with State and Federal governments to require that new cars are fitted with Intelligent Speed Assist, and older models are retrofitted with this technology.  Please install air quality stations on high streets, near schools, and along major thoroughfares, then work to change transport policy so air quality improves  Please add a target for all new homes to be all-electric in the near future
92	Air quality is missing.
93	Please include indoor and outdoor air quality in the third outcome
94	A single point about 'the Aboriginal community' is insufficient and telling. Aboriginal peoples and cultures should be recognised and their needs and importance addressed at each step of this strategic plan.
95	Access to nature is really important for mental health and wellbeing. Please increase our tree canopy, with plants that can withstand the coming changes to

	the climate, and develop more parks and green spaces, this could be done, for example, by treating streets as linear parks by filtering through traffic.
96	more green spaces for young and old to be in with overdevelopment of play or exercise equipment - open green spaces are important too

## Strategic direction 5 – Progressive local leadership, 85 responses

1	We need to see more action on mental health, homelessness, unemployment, fossil fuel reduction, renewable energy and equality in education.
2	Be honest and transparent. Timely consultations. Really listen to community feedback don't just go thru the motions
3	Would be good to be more transparent about budgets,
4	Council needs more transparency around controversial decisions, ICAC oversight, etc.
5	There is nothing about ensuring government and decision making structure are representative of the communities diversity in all its form ie gender, disability, cultural diversity etc
6	Return precinct committees
7	Statements like "support visionary and integrated long term planning" are very vague.
8	In relation to: "Ensure responsible, sustainable, ethical and open local government" I would prefer that council members did not use their resources and time for political machinations.
9	Need to make these goals SMART i.e. Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-Bound. How is Council measuring and reporting its progress on these strategies?
10	7 motherhood statements – absolutely nothing tangible in any of these 7 motherhood statements. I still dont understand how you are 'going to get there'
11	Council needs to be held accountable. Nothing in this strategic vision addresses of a lack of accountability from local government in NSW and appropriate recourse currently available other than L+E Court appeals or a slap on the wrist from the ombudsman. Start with this simple fact as the starting point for a strategic plan.
12	That's a good list. Just a general comment about the need to balance advocacy, democracy etc. with the need for Council to make 'hard' decisions and be efficient to get on with completing projects. Sometimes Council's consultation is excessive, delaying projects and and wasting scarce resources.
13	As previously noted
14	While community participation is important, I believe transparency is more important. There are some decisions that technical/subject matter experts should be in charge of making. Council staff and elected officials should be transparent about how they make decisions and the evidence used. Elected officials must also be more transparent about their interests and affiliations.
15	The politicisation of the Council is sickening. Please respect the experience and value of your staff and trust them to do what is right.
16	Clear separation of responsibilities between the elected representative/governance body and the professional council staff.
17	There is no indication of how Council will work to improve areas that are currently not working as effectively as they could, such as mechanisms for complaint. If

	<p>individuals are ignored in these areas, that speaks to a culture that is not transparent. I would like to see something more specific about how Council plans to improve transparency.</p>
18	<p>And more vague statements.</p>
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	Thanks for everything you do! Best wishes,
20	I am really pleased with reading these strategic directions!
21	Clearly council has lost it's way. The above makes it sound like Council controls Government. In fact the Council is just a small council. Please stick to the core deliverables of council and stop trying to be a political force.
22	Sack all the Councillors who voted to resume spraying Glysohate in the streets. There is 76 billion estimated compensation to be paid by Monsanto now Bayer I'm the USA
23	Caution is need with the word 'Progressive'. There are many different defintions and the word is deeply politicised...even ideological. It can antagonise and alienate as many community memebbers as it can include and empower. 'No one gets left behind' is a better phrase than 'progressive leadership', I think.
24	Again - in part - many of the ideals are lofty but given they are implemented poorly or haphazardly at the moment - just words
25	.."Deliver innovation, excellence, efficiency, effectiveness and probity..." What does that even mean? It's all empty rhetoric. At every level of Australian government it has been clearly demonstrated that our leaders serve the interests of the wealthy, donor class who are the ones exploiting and benefiting from our finite resources. And now you want the little guy, the battler, to pay the price by not using plastic straws or driving a car?
26	Progressive leadership... does this mean identity politics? What about people on the area with conservative values which "progressives" seek to erode? Not very diverse is it.
27	please de amalgamate this council, I am not being adequately represented
28	Encourage people to submit feedbacks to make this community better
29	<p>'Can I propose that council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro work together, in a future-thinking initiative, to provide a row of charging stations for EVs near to the Enmore Theatre, Sydney.</p> <p>This will encourage the uptake of EVs in the inner west by residents around this street, and allow visitors with EVs from outside the vicinity to park and charge close to the very popular Enmore theatre and Enmore Road.</p> <p>I'm proposing:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- step back the pavement between existing street trees, creating single car spots along the street, to allow electric vehicles to park legally and safely on that side of the one-way Trafalgar Street Enmore. This will allow council garbage trucks, ambulances, fire trucks, and other large service vehicles clear access on this narrow street. Currently, cars park beside the pavements on both sides, allowing an very narrow passage for traffic.</li> <li>- install charging stations servicing each of these spots;</li> <li>- mark this side of the street "for EV car use only"; four hours for non M3 residents; unlimited for M3 residents. Further, make it a finable offence for non-EV vehicles to park there.</li> </ul>

	<p>I am keen to see Inner West Council and Transport for NSW / Sydney Metro support rapid transition to zero-emissions electric vehicles to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- help NSW reach net zero emissions by 2050</li> <li>- support cleaner, more sustainable communities</li> <li>- encourage NSW consumers to purchase electric vehicles</li> <li>- expand the Inner West Sydney electric vehicle charging network.</li> </ul>
30	<p>1. It should be mandatory that councillors have to reside in the Council area they represent. 2. Council needs to have staff who can manage budgets, are held responsible for them, and are properly experienced / trained in what they do.</p>
31	<p>I'm always a little bit wary about the word "progressive". It has to be progress in the right direction, not just money in the pocket of developers.</p>
32	<p>limit local councillor terms to 3 maximum terms</p>
33	<p>Let's hope these are not simply words on a page. Haven't seen any of these outcomes or strategies taking place as yet. Progressive leadership is also lacking. We simply don't have that at this stage but need it desperately.</p>
34	<p>Ensure everything (absolutely everything) is published online and able to be reviewed by citizens and the media. Adopt an absolute transparency policy.</p>
35	<p>The council in it's current form is the amongst the worst examples I can think of with respect to the above strategies - council members aren't accessible and don't provide responses to queries in my experience. The council meetings are too frustrating to listen to as they delolve into childish nonsense with councillors frequently having to go over informaiton that they should have prepared for themselves.</p>
36	<p>I don't have a lot of visibility on this, but broadly supportive. Great to see council recently stand up against the inappropriate boarding house proposal in Summer Hill.</p> <p>I am concerned about rapid rate rises and lack of control over costs, especially on a number of rather silly vanity projects like Marrickville Library, while cycle ways, roads lag behind. I would also like council to review any major capital spend on things like libraries and public buildings without considering the change in use of these due to technology, internet at home and covid.</p>
37	<p>It seems that often, especially when dealing with development, local decision making is overwritten by State Government. Council rejects something based on the views of the community but it goes to Land and Environment and is approved. We also must stop DAs being approved for a development with an amendment then being submitted in the near future to overcome what would have meant it would have been initially rejected e.g., Sydney Tools. What an ugly building that place is.</p>
38	<p>Unfortunately at the moment there is too much in fighting and inward focus at Council. Someone needs to always be thinking about the people (rate payers) are supporting you! Please get into the community, talk to people, ask for feedback, survey's, focus groups. Please sort out the light rail (that is embarrassing) It doesn't matter if it is state or federal again it hurts the people (rate payers) Make people feel hurt (less in fighting please) Act with leadership, act with ethics act with</p>

	dignity, be forward thinking, anticipate the next 10 years. Get the public transport right.
39	this is in the strategy and plans from 1990s, and you have not put it into policy. No cycle paths or lanes or cycle safety change since 1997 when we moved here into Ashfield ward, and 4 years as IWC and still no cycle safety improvement for me or my family
40	Most of this list is irrelevant to the majority of residents. What residents want is accountability and productivity in local council, given the latest efforts by the now deposed mayor, now is a perfect time to make the move towards this. The inefficiency of council ultimately cost the rate payer and diminish the end result.
41	You may say these statements containing all of those fancy "buzz" words however when you consult the community and the community says "no" but yet you continue to go ahead with your plans. Stop the BS. Do the simple things right and actually get out and meet the people in the community and ask them what they want IN PERSON.
42	Progressive leadership is key. At state and national level we have religious zealots running the place. Lets keep local politics secular.
43	Deamalgamate
44	All great ideas. But it's the detail that nees work to bring these goals about. Currently it is very difficult to look at DAs on the website, there is a compicated method of unchecking certain boxes, you can't just put in a street or house number and search. If you put in a request for some action via the website the response that comes back doesn't identify the issue you contacted them about which makes it difficult if you've raised more than one issue. The Council newsletter is very bright but low on information on what Council is actually doing, it would be great to know where a new pedestrian crossing is, for example, or the next initiative actually being built/enacted. Council does great things and here's to a bright future achieving all the goals above.
45	More urban trees street scape Innerwest- parramatta rd is embarrassing
46	A lot more motherhood statements here.
47	I appreciate your commitment to engagement with the community, however your staff may not be receptive to simple requests or able to be empathetic, so build the internal capacity for effective engagement, and also the systems, a commitment to a feedback (complaints) system online that actually works.
48	Long term vision is not evident in Council's leadership. In-fighting and petty party politics are all too evident. Communication with Council is made difficult by administrative confusion - Council officers do not always know who is responsible for what and to whom to refer a matter. This too is due to a failure of leadership and not a failure on the part of staff. The on-the-ground staff are very often outstanding in their efforts to support the community, but are let down by poor internal communication and leadership. Council's digital systems are faulty, have not been designed with the needs of either staff of community in mind, and make communication with Council difficult and at times impossible. Council community



	engagement is minimal and there is a lack of transparency in Council decision-making. Attempts to discover Council policies in relation to the balance between commercial and public use of open space has been met with rudeness and dismissal. Council leadership has expressed derision and scorn for people living in this area – stereotyping them as rich and selfish, when this is by no means the case- as was evident in the latest lockdown. Many of us moved here when it was a working class area with affordable housing. Partnerships between Council and community organisations is not apparent in service design or service delivery – this used to be a strong feature of Leichhardt Council. I was delighted to learn of recent efforts by Council to partner with local--not-for-profit organisations in the delivery of services to people suffering hardship during the recent lockdown. The lack of accountability within Council is a serious barrier to the achievement of ethical and open government and efficiency and effectiveness. For example, public parks are maintained by gardeners, tractor mower drivers, garbage collectors, weed removalists, arborists and events management. Who carries the overall responsibility for the state of our public open spaces?
49	I would like far more emphasis on allowing the community two way communication, for example, better ways to raise concerns. This survey, for example, will reach only a small number of people, and is so designed that we can comment on the wording of the CSP , but not on the delivery of programs and how successfully they are delivering outcomes. As another example, when you raise a concern with council via its online service (and you are discouraged from doing it any other way), it is so hands off. Once I waited weeks to get a reply re a park issue to be told it's not Council's concern – but no polite reference to where to report the problem. Another time, a complex issue that is best discussed (ie more efficiently for BOTH parties) takes several emails to get to the point. Individual officers are mostly helpful – when you talk to them. But we could do with more in-person triage systems to direct people to the person who can actually do something.
50	no
51	more deliberative deep engagement with the community please
52	More Green streetscaping our concrete pathways..
53	Transparency BEFORE decisions are made and legitimate community consultation. Demand more contribution from developers and those that exploit and profit.
54	please make strong strategic policy
55	I don't think council does any of this
56	Each councillor should publish a brief quarterly report on what they have done / achieved and these reports should be made available to all residents. How else will we know what each councillor does and whether they should be re-elected?
57	IWC is dysfunctional. Watch any council meeting to see the juvenile incoherent dribble from tired, out of touch political hacks.

58	It has to be said that inner west local/federal MPS are very visible in the field and all advocate well and actively for their constituents on a regular and highly engaged capacity along the lines of what's outlined above- I am non-partisan in politics but am well aware from my family members who have worked on the council for decades, - both in prior iteration and current IW version since amalgamations came in - how at this level of government there has been consistent and endemic failure to represent the community and do the right thing by them on a transparent basis - on an economic, social and cultural scale. Why not take a leaf from your colleagues' work books and try to implement working groups and forums that serve the interests of the ratepayers?
59	Separate councilors from making planning decisions - this should be done by professional planners. Have an internal audit process to flag issues of concern RE probity - e.g. around planning decisions especially foreshadowing and curtailing plans to preempt L&E court proceedings - be strong in convictions and planning matters.
60	bring some professionalism and respect back to IW council. make it easier for residents to hold councillors to account
61	Improve the Culture to be more productive & efficient. More transparency and accountability. Less corruption with entities
62	let's hear from Council on how they intend progressing this strategy - words are great in plans
63	Local council should be the community's advocate to state and federal policymakers, particularly around issues that affect the fabric and livability of local areas such as environmental regulation (or lack thereof), air quality, transport planning and development. These should not be areas where wealth equates to influence, yet too often in Australia policy decisions are made with the welfare of investors in mind.
64	for people to be truly well informed, we should foster local media/newspapers so there are people interested in holding council accountable
65	Disappointed in the lack of communication regarding the polling question on de-amalgamation at the recent election. Any change should not financially impact residents.
66	Diverse leadership please.
67	Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality. Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change. Rapidly reduce community emissions.
68	Put community first over politics.
69	These strategies read or look great on paper, I just don't think they ring true with IWC's record in action :(
70	The strategy should include participatory budgeting as a way of ensuring public expenditure reflects local priorities. The strategy should include a citizen assembly as a model of direct democracy to address the climate crisis.

71	We need an independent & reliable local newspaper/news source. Should Inner West Council play a role in establishing such an organisation to ensure local events can be covered at as length from political interference?
72	Stay as one council without the push by the left to de-merge
73	Have measurable targets that keep progress towards sustainability outcomes transparent and accountable. Kilometres of cycleway built, proportion of children riding to school, for example.
74	To allow at the apex of the roof line a single row of solar panels on the street side of the roof to allow for poor original planning in street design. This will allow for maximum solar generation during the winter months were the sun is lower and harder to capture when your street is not facing the optimum direction. Whilst keeping the streetscape is an aesthetically ideal, a world ravaged by heat will not be... the more we do now the better the future for everyone.
75	Include renters more! I'm often disappointed by communications and benefits being offered to home owners and land lords, when renters make up such a large number of our community. Make it easier for us to participate - i often miss out on local government communications.
76	Professionals encouraged to volunteer their services and more training for trauma and coercive control across the board. I have filled in the wrong things here and there - sorry.
77	How do you get people to trust government? The majority of the population dislike government and don't trust them. There is very little talent, creative thinkers and lack of real leadership in all areas of government. Politics has become a team sport unfortunately. Try getting rid of party politics, especially in areas like the senate where decisions are finally passed.
78	Invest in reputable experts to inform councillors on climate change and best ways to lower emissions quickly
79	Support local capacity for advocacy - how will this be carried out?
80	Think that this has been a major failure with amalgamated council. Very poor access to Councillors due to their heavy work loads & increased number of residents in their wards. Expectation that everything be done on line when website isn't always that easy to navigate. Restricting speakers at meetings and DA determinations to only 3 people is a great loss of democratic rights. Very poor behaviour of some councillors in meetings has concerned residents who have been very concerned about open fair decision making based on community need rather than individual councillors interests or their ego. Democracy groups not working. Surveys Re important issues need much wider promotion. Contracting out eg heritage studies to people who do not know the areas and history is i democratic People who know & love the area such as Marrickville Heritage Society should be more more involved
81	Give enough time for information to be distributed with regards to all development and to all of the community that will be affected and not just adjacent neighbours or those within 50m

82	Please add a Strategy 5.1.2 to run a citizen's climate assembly to educate residents about the climate crisis, and discuss possible options for the LGA to decarbonise
83	Local leadership should centre the leadership of Aboriginal communities, peoples, and leaders. This should be built into planning for the next 10 years, and if not, this plan has little value.
84	A citizen's climate assembly and better training on climate change problems and solutions for Councillors and staff would help ensure stronger leadership and outcomes around the very important issue of climate change and sustainability.
85	Stop political parties dominating local council - it should be local grass roots community that are engaged with and directing outcomes for community

## Part 2

what are your top three priorities for Council to deliver between 2022 and 2026?

Priority 1 – 179 responses

1	beautification of urban centres/ villages - improve the design quality of our local places
2	Increased greening of the streets, parks and gardens.
3	Stop the amalgamation and do local better.
4	Be honest, transparent and equitable
5	Climate change
6	more biodiversity habitat native plantings especially along our rivers and foreshores - less money spent on lawns or concrete paths
7	Continued standardisation across the former council areas.
8	Accountability for the council around heritage, livability and business viability.
9	Cycling network design is key. Please develop an inner west cycling streets technical specification for a protected separated network
10	Protect tree canopy, urban bushland and opens spaces
11	reduce car dependency
12	Improve state of footpaths
13	Strategic Direction 2.2 - Strengthening planning policies which retain the character and heritage values within the area. Look to add heritage conservation zones to areas where there's limited protection of period housing stock to give stronger protection
14	Payment portal on council website so that long complex communications with council staff can be avoided.
15	DE-AMALGAMATION - that's the only thing that will fix the mess that is Inner West Council
16	More pedestrian and bike friendly areas. Expanding footpaths, banning cars, more traffic calming measures, more outdoor dining. Create 'car-free' zones, or more one way streets. More bike lanes.
17	Curbside organic waste management
18	Pedestrianised streets, traffic calmed environments
19	Legislation needs to be introduced that makes council far more accountable for their actions and lack of action.
20	A rolling program of footpath improvements and construction of new separated cycleways.
21	Stop the high rise.
22	Deliver the outcome of the referendum
23	Plan for sustainability for the planet
24	Leadership in environmental sustainability
25	Restore and broaden the access and facilities at Callan Park to appeal to more of the community
26	A more inclusive community
27	protect land spaces such as Callan Park
28	Community - making spaces for communities ot access
29	Greening the Inner West by planting more trees and upgrading public spaces.
30	Tree planting in all suburbs

31	Effectively managed council that maximises the benefits of the amalgamation
32	An active voice in heritage protection, not rhetoric.
33	Fix the roads and footpaths.
34	Supporting Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander communities
35	Have a longer term plan hundreds and thousands of years into the future. Aboriginal people were here for 60,000 years. If we only plan 15 years in advance, where will we be 60,000 years from now?
36	Strategic direction 2: Unique, liveable, networked neighbourhoods
37	more trees
38	Address the cultural division that has arisen over the pandemic. Find ways to encourage inclusivity and find ways to re-establish businesses that suffered due to restrictions, especially the arts
39	Effective and cost efficient delivery of traditional core council services.
40	In the program please outline clear, measurable deliverables and which councillor is accountable for each deliverable.
41	Providing basic services - increased (weekly) street sweeping in streets near busy areas such as King St, Newtown. Installing more rubbish bins along shopping streets (King St) with emptying daily as required. Repairing footpaths especially along King St.
42	Better council attention to parks, street trees and community areas. Particularly when there is an approach to remove, build on or otherwise prevent people from their use .removed from the
43	
44	Protect and restore heritage buildings, not pull them down to replace with shoddy apartments
45	Qualified staff
46	Increase the number scale and nature of the places that support community connection, engagement, skills and employment (eg library space and open hours)
47	Dedicated Cycle network paths joining existing dedicated cycle pathways to City, Summer Hill and Cooks River
48	An integrated and consistent strategic plan for all of the Inner West that flows into everything that council does.
49	Make private schools pay rates so they share the cost of implementing delivery.
50	Resist State and Federal health tyranny and advocate for the removal of QR codes and Vax cards
51	Prioritise the return of local streets to residents, pedestrians and cyclists by stopping the 'rat-runs' being used by through traffic at ridiculous speed and traffic volumes, which is endangering the health and safety of other road users.
52	Urban heat reduction, including extensive tree planting and not not only protecting green spaces (e.g. Callan Park) but growing green spaces.
53	Lower rates
54	Improve streetscape, especially in residential areas
55	Paths for transport (scooters, bikes, etc)
56	De-Amalgamation of the inner west council, don't care what it costs ill pay it gladly
57	Green space without commercial overdevelopment
58	Increasing tree canopy / understory planting / habitat

59	tackling climate change - by increasing urban canopy (so inner west more comfortable place to live) and reducing carbon emissions in the area - move to electric vehicles, reducing petrol emissions (more public transport, cycling, walking less car use).
60	Provide more parking to replace the parking removed by the inappropriate bike path from nowhere on Livingstone road
61	Bike track for kids (e.g. dirt track with jumps)
62	House is a place to live, not to invest. First home buyers should be supported more. Should put high tax on investment properties to protect future generations and increase productivity in technology, healthcare, education and infrastructure.
63	Climate Change - transform transportation network, walk/ride more within their locale, force people to drive less = less fossil fuel!
64	Environmental sustainability, increasing tree coverage
65	Reduce carbon emissions
66	reduce heat (eg by having trees lining roads, solar panels, etc)
67	Improve and Apply Planning Controls to stop this creeping overdevelopment
68	Negative impact on the environment
69	Maintenance of all our existing green spaces and creation of more wherever possible. Keep the trees and the tree line. Breathe-ability means live-ability.
70	De-amalgamation
71	Consistent and leading cycle safety in every ward of IWC
72	Improve public transport across suburbs
73	Keep Callan park off leash for dogs
74	Removing or reducing anything and everything that has a negative impact on the environment and all issues relating to climate change.
75	Safe active transport infrastructure to encourage all age groups to move around the inner west cheaply and environmentally responsibly whether for commuting to work/study or for recreation.
76	Liberalising outdoor dining and alcohol consumption.
77	Circular economy, reuse, recycle infrastructure
78	A system of connected, separated cycleways across the inner west have to be an absolute priority
79	A more sensible trees policy that gives house owners control. Repeal laws asking home owners to lodge DA's to prune or remove their own trees and instead encourage people to respect tree canopies but respect people's rights.
80	Strategy to reduce use of cars for local trips and encourage active transport. Expand cycling network to include local schools, shopping centres and community centres.
81	Cycling Infrastructure.
82	Fix The Light Rail
83	Protect and enhance the Cooks River parks, some of the best green space in the area. The placement of the new Sydney water odour control unit is a travesty - unfortunately in Canterbury Council area.
84	Equitable cycle safety, cycle lanes, cycle paths and school cycle safety in Ashfield ward to catch up no work done yet
85	Support Business

86	Protect what we have, ie green spaces, trees and high streets (no more grey concrete slab buildings)
87	If a council does not deliver what it set out to do at the beginning of their term they should be answerable to the people. Council represents the residents not themselves.
88	CYCLING
89	More green space
90	Environment especially habitat, greening, heat mgmt and renewables
91	Deamalgamate
92	40kph across the LGA. Certain areas to be 30kph.
93	Urban street scaping
94	Council needs to forget this and concentrate on the basics, roads, rubbish and green space maintenance.
95	Safer pedestrian facilities (40 kph limits, increased traffic calming devices, pedestrian crossings.
96	Keep our suburbs clean and tidy
97	Fix footpaths around the local community
98	Drastic reduction is needed in the constrution of medium-high density housing > over-crowding. During construction phase these developments are a nightmare with residents suffering noise pollution & severely hampered vehicular access to our homes.
99	Safe public facilities- especially swimming pools
100	Improve transport options (incl making Balmain peninsula safe for cycling)
101	Be bold with the planning controls required for creative housing solutions that respond to the need for community and local resilience.
102	Protect and preserve heritage buildings and sites.
103	Upgrading/creating community spaces - such as what is happening with local areas like Ferris Lane
104	Design more user friendly and accessible communication systems between Council and community
105	Anything that will reduce carbon emissions!
106	no
107	improved recycling
108	LGBTQI community support
109	Clean, cold, swimmable natural waterways. Enabling more places to cool off in summer
110	Actively lobby electricity providers to reconfigure the electricity supply methods to the inner west. Install solar street lighting wherever possible and remove wires. Plan installation and building of car/bike/truck charging stations.
111	Tree Planting to make it a visually pleasing area as well as a cool area to walk and move around in
112	Restoring actual councils and putting Inner West Council in the bin where it belongs
113	Better protect the rights of people from dog owners who refuse to take their dog on a leash where this is required.
114	Affordability - housing and free community activities
115	All Council plans , projects, activities, and funding allocations of Council must be directly linked to the Delivery Program
116	Responsible management of ratepayer's money



117	Fix and level footpaths.
118	maintain the local environment
119	More biodiverse green spaces
120	Address housing crisis in LGA via affordable, social, community and hub options with government and private development.
121	Improve infrastructure eg green spaces, parking, roads, water features, shaded area
122	Planting and conserving trees and wildlife corridors
123	Improved equity among ratepayers and avoid waste - paving main streets in wealthy suburbs and letting lower profile suburbs flounder is unconscionable.
124	Better communication, responsiveness and accountability by individual officers.
125	Combat Carbon emission and light pollution (sorry that's 2 in one)
126	Improving the environmental sustainability of the Inner West
127	Active transport with a focus on Cycling infrastructure.
128	Offer equal services throughout the whole LGA. Remove historical differences - E.g. Council does not offer recycling for commercial properties in Marrickville, but does in Leichhardt.
129	Social Welfare
130	More connection of the local area in a practical way - it shouldn't take me 20 mins to drive from my home in Rozelle to the shops in Annandale or Balmain, the next closest suburbs. We are cut off by giant roads and traffic that disrupts the connection.
131	roads
132	Housing and rental affordability - simply allowing endless new developments does not reduce the cost of rent, no matter how much developer propaganda insists it does.
133	Promote clean and more frequent transport - electric buses/light rail
134	Stop ugly in-fill developments (West Street, Petersham), developments on Wardell Road down from Dulwich Hill Station are two examples.
135	Affordable housing
136	Clean unsightly sites like at 120C Old Canterbury Road.
137	Sustainability - especially rolling out food waste program to all households.
138	Reduce Waste & introduce recycling of food waste
139	Well designed, appropriately located and budgeted shade for UV protection in public spaces
140	Cycling and pedestrian infrastructure that makes our streets safer for all
141	Compostable waste disposal in all inner west housing
142	Safe cycling infrastructure should be a key priority. It would encourage active travel, reduce congestion and help with air quality.
143	More walking / cycling infrastructure that is better connected encouraging more people to leave their cars behind.
144	More connected and separated cycle lanes at the expense of cars
145	Build as many housing units as possible, particularly in areas close to train stations and cycling infrastructure
146	Mitigate climate change
147	Local business support
148	Better cycle infrastructure, with active transport prioritised over cars (e.g. longer pedestrian crossing times at junctions).

149	De-amalgamation
150	Affordable, disability accessible housing
151	Better (safer) cycling infrastructure.
152	Inner West response to climate emergency
153	Addressing the climate crisis through immediate transition away from fossil fuels to renewable energy and low carbon technologies and solutions.
154	Increased cycling infrastructure
155	Upgrade town centres such as Ashfield, including tunnel under railway
156	Climate Change - renewable energy, zero emissions transport
157	Elderly services and support
158	A completed and safe cycling network and all the previous missing links and gaps are filled
159	Stay as one council
160	Safe and connected bike network, built faster.
161	to be Carbon negative... increase the rooftop area available for solar panels which also includes street facing placement
162	Safer bicycle infrastructure
163	Domestic violence awareness
164	Increase green corridors and regenerate native bushland for increased flora and fauna
165	Connected and separated bicycle infrastructure.
166	Less reliance on coal based electricity
167	Cleaning up Sydney and suburban streets with a Gernie high water pressure cleaner. Clean up the Parramatta River so people can swim in it. Build public baths along the rivers edge.
168	Improving bicycle infrastructure will improve air quality therefore a healthy quality of life
169	education of the community in terms of how their behaviour is effecting the environment. Then follow through with clear instructions on recycling of everything.
170	Tree cover and green space
171	Preserving character and heritage of our town centres and residential streets. Preserving the streetscapes
172	Make walking and cycling easier and safer
173	residents amenity that ensures an healthy environment without adverse noise, air or anti- social pollution irrelevant of where they live.
174	Build a safe, accessible, fully networked bike network, and work with surrounding Councils to ensure it goes beyond IW LGA boundaries
175	Build a safe bike network throughout the LGA in the next Council term, for zero emission transport now
176	Build bike network
177	Prioritise Indigenous sovereignty by cultivating real change by providing revenue and infrastructure for extended Aboriginal programs and leadership opportunities that reflect the wishes and needs of local Aboriginal peoples, and to inform council
178	More bike paths
179	address overdevelopment that is NOT suitable to residential areas ie enormous flats by greedy developers on tiny blocks of land where once a house stood.

Priority 2 168 responses

1	a strategic network of dedicated, separated bicycle paths delivered – fit for purpose for all users from age 8 to 80.
2	More acknowledgement and information about the original inhabitants of the various council areas
3	Cut fossil fuel emissions, food, water and plastic waste.
4	Cut red tape and lengthy and costly application processes and reduce the lengthy Decision making times
5	Infrastructure
6	more rain gardens and water saving programs to clean water before it goes into our rivers and save water generally
7	Continued development of dedicated bicycle paths.
8	Stronger commitment towards renewable energy through development controls and council leading the way, and greener spaces.
9	Reduced thorough fair traffic. External car and truck traffic flow must be minimised for safety and reduce to local traffic only.
10	Ensure all swimming places and well maintained and discounted for pensioners.
11	expand safe cycling and walking infrastructure
12	separated cycle path
13	Improve road drainage around carrington road and excelsior parade where regular flooding during rain
14	Strategic Direction 1.1 – Sustainability – Tackling climate change and green infrastructure
15	Resident portal for tracking issues.
16	Overhaul Inner West Council's leadership team – a record number of General Manager's / CEO's since amalgamation. Makes for a dysfunctional council and it is very evident
17	More return and earn stations and collection points, since standard recycling bins don't work because of contamination, return and earn really works!
18	Ecologically operating bus services
19	Improve cycle network
20	Streamline development processes and integrate and standardise all planning across the state.
21	Strong policies & actions to reduce parking & movement space and speeds for private motor vehicles.
22	Tree canopy

23	Social housing, refuges, halfway houses etc for members of the community in need
24	Supporting localisation post pandemic - vibrant/diverse local business, community and cultural opportunities
25	Continue to invest in more facilities at the Leichhardt Park Aquatic Centre
26	Affordable and accessible housing
27	public transport at weekends & public holidays should increase
28	Housing, making more public housing with local community hubs
29	Upgrade "High" streets (Parramatta Road, Enmore Road etc) by ensuring they are beautiful, inviting and greener.
30	Maintain and water trees and tree bays (which are full of weeds and rubbish)
31	Environment especially the tree canopy and zero emissions
32	A robust system of tree management that doesn't pander to property owners.
33	Allow residents of their respective suburb to be entitled to parking permits to cars registered to that address without limit.
34	Sustainability
35	Work with multinational corporations to end pollution and deforestation, including and most importantly all of the food and products imported into the inner west.
36	Strategic direction 3: Creative communities and a strong economy
37	better accessibility of foot paths for those that have wheels
38	Look at property development in the context of the wealth that the industrial area brings to businesses and the arts. Keep the area feeling more suburban than high density.
39	Foster an environment for business to flourish
40	Please stick to the knitting and avoid following political agenda's. We don't need a woke council that tries to respond to every issue of the day, we need an efficiently run council that delivers the basics on time on budget.
41	Increasing the very low outdoor space available for exercise and recreation in the LGA. The Green Way needs to be completed urgently!
42	Promote cleanliness and tidiness (deter, remove, fine and prosecute people who dump garbage and apply unauthorised graffiti)
43	Properly trained staff
44	Greenery and more trees and climbers eg the climbers at marrickville library is a great use of small space to create amenity and shade
45	More open spaces near Ashfield train station with park and kids play area.
46	FOGO

47	Focus on helping the poorest in our community
48	Set in place specific plans to enable the slow but steady electrification of the council transport fleet of vehicles and equipment (the use of electric leaf blowers and park maintenance equipment be implemented ASAP, as is available and cost effective
49	Food waste/green waste weekly collection
50	Be a voice for the community that is representative OF the community.
51	Increase disincentives for street parking
52	Delivering a Sydenham creative hub were people can make noise at night
53	Affordable housing
54	Reducing hard surface area - making space for food production / better water management
55	promoting and valuing our diversity with understanding and openness and challenging discrimination and racism. on
56	Ensure there is more adequate street lighting and large tree roots that take up the whole footpath are fixed up as they are a trip hazard and cause injuries especially when there is very limited street lighting.
57	Free parking on Norton St
58	Reduce community's opportunity cost spent on repetitive daily activities such as preparing meals, commuting to work, etc.
59	Biodiversity - rewild inner west, stricter requirement on both residential and communal green space, or any mature tree removals (please gather poll if a major tree canopy is being removed from someone's property)
60	Designing our suburbs for people
61	Increase affordable housing
62	Accessible and comprehensive recycling systems
63	Maintain and increase green spaces for an increasing population density
64	Stop cutting down trees
65	Increase public transport to keep traffic flows down.
66	Bring back separate councils Marrickville Council was great
67	Cycle safety and active transport safety within 5 km of every school in IWC
68	Accessible playgrounds for children with disabilities and teenagers (not just skate parks)

69	Provide more off leach areas around inner west
70	Creative, interesting and useful urban planning with more parks and green spaces. Making our suburbs greener, more liveable, more beautiful and more interesting.
71	Restoration of native vegetation suites throughout the LGA to encourage a greater biodiversity of wildlife.
72	Public transport advocacy and encouragement.
73	Environmental
74	Safe streets with cars access restricted and speed limits lowered to at least 30
75	Better connected and separated cycle ways that do not take away from car lanes/parking - and consider running the Greenway cycle track UNDER the rail bridge at Summer Hill/Lewisham.
76	Strategies for promotion of the inner west as a place to do business, shopping and entertainment and develop night time economy for entertainment and creative industries.
77	Are of native habitat for flora and fauna
78	jobs for younger people
79	The plans for the St Peters Square at Sydney Park Road are really great. Please advocate for the bike path to continue further south!
80	active transport option, policies and reduction of parking and car use spaces in all wards and communities in IWC
81	Reduce red tape, less 3rd party contracts
82	Improve main streets. Support business, more trees, outdoor seating, "beautification". Make our home a nice place to be in.
83	Stay within your scope of work. do not go out to change the world, just whats within your scope (footpaths, parks, roads, building, etc)
84	WALKING
85	Reduce reliance on cars, improve facilities for pedestrians/cyclists
86	Development. It has to happen - it doesnt have to be ugly, soulless, baking hot and destroy the heritage and culture of the area
87	Pedestrians prioritised. Footpaths flat, ramps at all intersections, many more safe crossing places.
88	More trees
89	This should be up to the elected officials to decide - not the bureaucracy
90	Increased parklands with safe public access
91	Collect our garbage on time and resume regular council cleanups
92	Foodcomposting/ recycling for all residents (houses too)

93	Re-forestation.
94	Affordable housing, including long term rental options, especailly once university students from overseas return and push the market up again
95	Development of White Bay Power station / surroundings
96	Increase the biodiversity and water holding capacity of our lands
97	Stop approving the construction of monolithic 'affordable housing' (that's not affordable) and apartment blocks.
98	better regulation and definition/promotion of on leash areas. The area is very dog heavy and few owners walk their dogs on lead in shared spaces such as footpaths. This is unsafe for both people and other animals.
99	Improve accountability by publishing service levels for all Council services to the community and how these levels are met
100	Real action on increasing biodiversity not just tree planting (and why is the street tree planting so expensive - why such large trees? Where is the evidence base that these provide better outcomes for money over, say 3 to5 years?
101	no
102	more cycle paths
103	Planting more tree's
104	More and better access to public bathrooms. Consider people with IBD or other bathroom needs. Seriously. More places to pee.
105	Develop street furniture PowerPoint information kiosks to be used as a direct voice to the public about initiatives etc council is making happen. Eg home waste recycling and how it works.
106	quality designed streets and spaces that connect and to facilitate liveability
107	Getting rid of the online system
108	Improve the response process from Council for queries and complaints. ATM it's a complicated online system with no clear process or mandated timelines. Residents shouldn't have to keep following up
109	Ensuring unique small businesses and artists can afford to operate in the area
110	The Delivery Program is Councils commitment to the community on what it will deliver during its elected term.
111	Deliver the savings promised by the merger
112	Give Ashfield proper segragated cycling infrastructure.
113	maintain the local heritage areas

114	Improved waterway health
115	Waste management - promote over 90% household participation rate in multi-level recycling initiatives including food, compost, green, chemical, clothing and recyclables.
116	Create more local community networking and provide more public spaces
117	connecting cycle ways - greenway to the cooks river. Improving safety and clear routes for cyclists and reducing car use / traffic
118	Local renewable hubs that allow residents to 'pool' renewable resources (roof top solar) and use council space to provide an option for renters in flats to "own" local renewables. Council use unutilised roof space for residents to access/ own shares in
119	Improved tree canopy - particularly on private land by encouraging DA's to expand, rather than erode, deep soil planting opportunities.
120	Favour/ encourage light transports, bicycle tracks etc.
121	Improving infrastructure, increasing access to affordable public transport
122	A policy for EV on street charging and parking preferences.
123	Improve uneven footpaths, missing pram-ramps and trip hazards. Implement programmed maintenance for drain clearing, footpath trip hazards etc.
124	Sensible development standards that allow people to capitalise if the huge cost of housing while allowing for sustainable development that retains overall streetscape value
125	footpaths
126	community events and spaces such as open air markets and food festivals
127	Queer spaces and visibility of culture in Leichhardt
128	Expand or at least retain green space. No selling off half of the golf course. Continue improvements along Cooks River.
129	net zero and low waste council
130	Beautification of main streets and public areas
131	Support local arts and communities eg fetes, markets and businesses
132	Preservation and conservation of historical and environmental sites for the public good (eg Callan Park)
133	Improve air quality and plant more trees that are resilient to climate change.
134	Please plant more trees and increase urban canopy.
135	Smaller and fewer bins to reduce heinous blocking of pavements
136	build more cycling infrastructure



137	Inclusive and accessible universal design for disability and dementia friendly community
138	Carbon neutrality
139	Maintaining wild spaces and investing in community engagement (e.g. Mudcrabs volunteers at Cooks River)
140	Vast improvements in response times and sensitivity from council staff
141	Disability Access and Inclusion
142	An ecologically sustainable Inner West
143	Improving cycling infrastructure to reduce dependency on cars, improve air quality and increase active transport.
144	Increased tree canopy
145	Support local shop owners to paint historic facades eg 50% contribution up to \$10,000
146	Arts & Culture - a great opportunity for a distinct culture-based recovery exists for the Inner West.
147	Canopy protection - but my idea of two for one tree removed
148	The Greenway trail is built and with good connections to schools, local centres and public transport nodes
149	Roads and Rubbish
150	More areas of traffic calmed and low speed neighbourhoods so kids can ride around and residents are protected from the noise, pollution and danger of through traffic.
151	Trees; revoke the previous agreement to allow easier removal of trees, stop the removal of older trees with hollows for wildlife, put in boxes (possum and bird) throughout our parks; plant more trees food trees for native wildlife
152	More community gardens
153	Wilderness areas regenerated
154	Control dogs in parks thus increasing the diversity of uses of parks and reserves eg, for safe picnics
155	Community charging infrastructure for electric cars
156	Recycling
157	Extend the tram line down the middle of Parramatta Road and get the cars off local streets.
158	Maintaining cultural heritage fixing and repairing rather than knocking down and producing bland buildings in its place

159	Greening of the area. I have seen a huge number of gums cut down on housing commission land. This has impacted me personally as they provided privacy, a sense of calm due being surrounded by nature and a little cooling effect in what is total concrete
160	Sustainable waste collection
161	Preserving diversity of population. Mandating that all new developments provide for families of all sizes and at least 15% for affordable housing in perpetuity to enable people on lower incomes to stay in Inner West.
162	Any decision affecting residents to be adequately communicated and given a generous amount of time to respond
163	Work to lower community emissions, through community owned solar and battery schemes, better active transport, phasing out methane gas, and more
164	Improve local air quality
165	Stronger climate action for the community
166	Affordable housing for all
167	More green spaces
168	Continuing greening of inner west, and addressing climate change locally

### Priority 3

#### 159 responses

1	Stop with the namby-pamby. leftist social work agendas and deliver the basics properly.
2	inclusiveness and equity for all peoples of all backgrounds, especially those of aboriginal / torres straight islander heritage and all first nations peoples. that we recognise and celebrate their history and culture and ownership of the land
3	Cycle paths separated from walking paths
4	Do something about mental health in this community. Something REAL.
5	Stop over paying underperforming staff
6	Affordable housing
7	provide outdoor spaces and funding for free outdoor music/theatre to be put on by local promoters and artists. Regular one band or play shows like Central Park Summerstage festival , New York. Forget all day events/street festivals - too uncomfortable
8	Strict application of development and heritage controls.
9	Increase pedestrian space and greenery. Especially down very wide roads like Johnston st
10	Protect conservation zones and heritage items. Add to these.
11	street trees
12	increase in green coverage more trees and plants
13	Improve maintenance on footpath lawns and trees
14	Strategic Direction 2.6 - People will walk and cycle around inner west if infrastructure is upgraded (cracked footpaths, potholes, large trees for shade while walking)
15	Recycling education and active waste management engagement with residents. Too much stuff is dumped in our streets.
16	stick to roads and rubbish - do them well before you look at other areas
17	Easier applications for festivals, concerts, gigs - encouraging more music and arts. Residents who live next to noisy venues shouldn't be allowed to make noise complaints.
18	School grants to setup reuse-recycling hubs
19	More green space with less dog parks

20	Begin an amalgamation process with other councils to create one metropolitan council like they have in Brisbane.
21	Modest pricing of all kerbside parking to improve parking management and fund walk, cycle and streetscape improvements.
22	local recycling drop off spaces.
23	More parks and social places
24	Efficiency of Council customer support systems for residents - improvement needed in relation to issuance/payment of invoices
25	Fix the traffic congestion on and around the City West Link
26	A more sustainable and environmentally resilient LGA
27	Services available before amalgamation should be restored eg. street clean- ups
28	Creative spaces
29	Support and upgrade to library services.
30	Clever ways to share roads and footpaths in very narrow streets. Priorities locals and people
31	Revitalised businesses/streets/districts
32	Follow-up on Delivery Programs with mechanisms that enforce its goals, eg, greater Council transparency.
33	Stop interfering with residents properties in regards to removal of damaging and/or dangerous trees and execute a plan to reduce rodents throughout our suburbs.
34	Keeping the local colour and diversity (i.e. keeping the big developers to a minimum)
35	Make all public infrastructure owned and run by the government. This must happen to have government to provide a good service to allow businesses to thrive.
36	Strategic direction 1: An ecologically sustainable Inner West
37	focus on water retention infrastructure, based on the 'sponge city theory'
38	Keep the area affordable and accessible to the various cultures that already call it home and will continue to be drawn to the area. Encourage and celebrate the diversity we have and ensure it stays so by lessening gentrification where possible
39	Maintain and expand open spaces and upgrade facilities to encourage increased use of open spaces by local communities.

40	Let the people choose how the money is to be spent. I suggest a virtual survey listing out the cost for each program and seeking votes to support and withdraw the program.
41	Collection of food waste needs to be implemented throughout the LGA.
42	Staff knowledge of legal obligations
43	Circular economy - use this as a catalyst for community and business connections, micro industry establishment and new economies
44	Open night market for night hang out and festival celebrations
45	
46	Investigate corruption within Council and improve transparency and integrity.
47	Investment in the villages, incentives for small businesses post-covid, to bring back some vibrancy to these areas.
48	Improve services through automation
49	Revert to garbage (and recycling and green) bin collection to early mornings to reduce the amount of time bins are left out in the streets
50	Stopping noise complaints from ruining everything and supporting events at night.
51	Safe roads for pedestrians and cyclists
52	Prioritising pedestrians and cyclists over cars (at intersections, space for foot and bike paths, better interconnectedness between networks)
53	promoting a vibrant local culture and economy.
54	Avoid over development of housing. Far too many unit blocks that are
55	Re-surface the streets and paths that have been ripped up over the last few years.
56	Reduce tax
57	Waste - help local shops to stop using plastic, not all the shop owners are eco-conscious, help them make the switch!
58	Integrating bike and walking paths across suburbs
59	Improve disability access

60	Quality community places that encourage interaction and community bonding (eg. tool library, craft library) - not just for old people and children, areas designed to attract teens and middle aged people as well
61	Clean up Inner West: streets, footpaths, waterways
62	Reduce rates - it is about time the council managed to a budget and acknowledged inflation is less than 1%
63	Maintain community diversity by ensuring housing and services provide for all.
64	As above
65	Equal space for all park users and recreation, maximum 50% space dedicated to any sporting type
66	Maintain good road surface and traffic calming measures in the suburbs.
67	The complete overhaul of Council's development and planning processes and procedures including the use of Building Certifiers which is outdated and ineffective.
68	A vibrant community arts scene.
69	Sustainable environmental management, including through achieving net zero results within the next 10 years. Assist residents to do the same.
70	housing
71	Improved pedestrian connections - I have family and friends who won't walk anywhere because the main roads are the most direct routes and are entirely unpleasant to walk along
72	Freeze major building works, and better cost control and lower future rate rises.
73	Planning controls to manage developments, and encourage best and sustainable practices that integrate with local heritage and amenity.
74	Prevention of ugly and out of place development.
75	arts and culture
76	More bike lanes in general
77	Change naming and land use in all parks to directly reflect the original owners and custodians of these lands
78	Better maintenance of infrastructure
79	Public transport. Make it easier to get around the inner west. Not just easy to get to the CBD.

80	Better listening skills to the residents
81	Lowering rates for the elderly
82	Become carbon neutral
83	Transport.
84	Cycling championed. Bicycle logos on all cycle routes. On-road cycling supported by 40kph. Infrastructure put in for cyclists who are too young/unsure to use the road.
85	Did I say more TREES
86	Very bureaucratic- would seem to be an attempt at stifling an elected officials agenda
87	Reduce Marrickville Golf Club to 9 holes - release the space for public utility.
88	Beautify our local areas
89	Upgrade local parks and increase green space
90	Increased green space for community enjoyment. Sydney Park is the only sizeable park in what is now a huge LGA - this needs to be addressed.
91	A good Council organisational culture that stamps out boys clubs, bullying and harassment and enables Council to partner amongst its own staff and the community
92	Adjust project processes and timelines to genuinely allow for impactful community input through engagement processes
93	Protect and preserve green space.
94	composting options for houses/streets for those that would like to compost but just can't in their backyard
95	Review management systems to improve service delivery and accountability
96	Better council engagement with community, not just relying on one way surveys with restricted possibilities for comment, and less reliance on negotiating through long menus to report problems that do not neatly fit a particular category.
97	no
98	more cultural community events
99	These are all under one. Green canopy, healthy air, healthy habitats. These are all linked.
100	maintain basic services

101	Better education of residents on rubbish and recycling and what can and should be put where. It's a mess and there are so many people who put recycling in rubbish bins and rubbish in recycling bins.
102	Preservation of green spaces
103	All Councils in NSW are required to develop a new four year Delivery Program following each council election
104	Stop the urban decay so evident in areas of the LGA.
105	Repair and complete the greenway to Dulwich Hill.
106	keep the creative spirit and vibe of residents and the area.
107	Carbon neutral Council
108	Health Services – direct impact of Covid-19 pandemic effects on economy, education, health and welfare for all LGA residents.
109	Use more green energy eg solar in public spaces
110	affordable housing, influencing the rental market to keep it affordable. It is becoming impossible for people with lower incomes, or any kind of social disadvantage to stay in the area. And extremely hard for single parents to keep families in the area.
111	Foster takeup of electric vehicles – particularly for households that have no access to private recharge.
112	More trees in our streets.
113	Improving the housing affordability of the inner west, which can be done by building more high density housing
114	A genuine commitment to local artists and artist communities.
115	Improve Council's environmental performance by creating more recycling streams (e.g. soft plastics), implement EV for Council's vehicle fleet, favour local suppliers and contractors for Council to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from transport.
116	Support the diverse community
117	Access to green space integrated into large scale development ie westconnex
118	attention to services for ALL ages and socio economic backgrounds of the community
119	Increasing green spaces and improving the ecological health of existing areas
120	Upgrade main street footpaths – e.g. Norton st



121	Maintain and improve playground equipment in local parks. A Wild Play Garden as in Centennial Park would be fabulous along the Cook's River or at Addison Road.
122	Support for community.
123	Learning about the history
124	Increase in native flora in public spaces and ecological monitoring of native animal species
125	Rapidly reduce community emissions.
126	More gardens for food production. Work with neighbouring LGA's to connect green and blue networks.
127	Wider and better pavements
128	Reduce the amount of space, money and energy dedicated to car transport and storage. We have expensive housing for humans and free parking for cars.
129	Beautify surroundings so people care about their environment. Educate through art.
130	Community recovery from Westconnex, pandemic and too much LNP
131	Improvements to so many footpaths PLEASE
132	More tree canopy
133	A caring, happy, healthy community
134	Increasing native tree coverage and canopy, and improve green spaces overall, to reduce climate impacts, increase habitat for wildlife, and mitigate emissions
135	Retain heritage of buildings & village feel
136	Keep the streets and footpaths clean or rubbish in main pedestrian streets and remove grafitti
137	Ecological diversity. Only a vibrant diversity can help our environment survive the changes in climate that are already locked in
138	Improve parking with reduction of paid places esp for residents
139	The community is better connected to their local area through the development and implementation of an interactive community mapping (GIS) system
140	Reduce cancel culture
141	More bike parking racks at local shops and shopping strips.

142	Electric Car; put in recharge points in all streets; allow homes with solar panels access to their own power for recharge give footpath cable covers to homes who have converted to electric vehicles
143	More help with managing sidewalk rubbish - a lot of renters dont know they can organise free pickups of hard rubbish
144	Green only new developments
145	limit and control developments ensure a larger percentage of the site of future developments is garden and unpaved green spaces
146	Planning controls to promote a liveable, walkable, sustainable city.
147	Support services and safety
148	Get rid of tolls on all the new expressways . This will help get cars out of the local side streets.
149	Improving electric vehicle infrastructure. Looking at places overseas who also have limited space for installation
150	Reclaim vacant areas - eg Carrington Rd Marrickville as an arts hub
151	Invigoration of high streets
152	Improving environment through preserving& increasing tree canopyIncreasing open space wherever possible and requirement for 30% deep soil on all developments. Stop people from building black box developments to reduce future heat bank
153	The residents on edges of the innerwest to be given the same care and attention and aid as the Marrickville Rd area, it's surrounds and Cooks river recieve
154	Improve resilience to climate impacts, and ensure Council assets can be used as shelters in emergencies (with solar, batteries, air conditioning, and air filtration)
155	Create more greenspace, parks, playgrounds, dog parks (could do through installing traffic filters at strategic intersections
156	Air quality
157	More dedicated cycleways to improve the safety of cyclists, encourage less motor vehicle use and pollution, and increase the health and well-being of residents.
158	Stronger commitment to and support of emissions reductions
159	Climate change

## Question about your vision for the Inner West

What do you most value about the Inner West ? What makes the Inner West unique?

169 Responses

1	the diversity, character and the people
2	The diversity of the people and the increasing green spaces and tree covering throughout the area
3	Diversity, accessibility, river, parks and community gardens, Lentil As Anything and Alfalfa House Food Coop, Reverse Garbage and The Bower...sadly moving from Addison Rd.
4	Convenience to city and open spaces and sporting facilities
5	Diversity, village atmosphere, parks, great location, cafes!
6	People who value enjoyment of life over than the acquisition of material wealth.
7	The dynamic and ever changing environment.
8	Not much any more, apart from Council's incompetence. Council is slowly destroying what used to be a vibrant and interesting community.
9	Its location close to the CBD and the harbour. Removing external cars will help foster a greater IW community, one that is clean, healthy and sustainable
10	Low rise buildings, tree canopy, urban bushland and heritage streetscapes.
11	its inclusive and vibrant community
12	diversity of people
13	Multicultural, diverse community, arts community and events
14	I like that the values of an elected council are closely aligned to mine. In this respect, it feels like there is a place for more progressive and open views.
15	Character of the area (period homes, large trees, walkable neighborhoods)
16	Location and variety.
17	local businesses
18	The vibrant, alive and pedestrian filled streets. Being able to walk to the shops, the pub. There is always something to do in the Inner West, always a new restaurant, gig, art, experience - the rest of sydney is cramped inside shopping centres or their cars.

19	The cultural diversity of locals & the greater care this fosters throughout community
20	Heritage and walkability
21	This is not a question. It is an opinion presented to the participants of this survey which I do not accept as fact. There is very little that is unique about the inner west that cannot also be found in surrounding LGAs. Look at the new logo adopted by council which represents an amalgam of architectural styles that can be found in many other parts of the city so even the council itself cannot find something that is truly unique to represent itself as.
22	progressive and inclusive
23	Dense urban form, diverse/mixed buildings, land uses & culture, ability to walk, cycle & use public transport instead of a car and interesting natural areas.
24	The Village atmosphere.
25	A demerged IWC and instead of a large mega-council and a return to smaller more responsive councils.
26	The mix of rich, poor, young, old, artists, musicians. The blend.
27	Its progressive spirit and sense of social justice. Green spaces.
28	The objectives sound very noble. Actions and outcomes are needed to balance ambitions. I have seen nothing specific about Callan Parks future in this dialogue. I would be unhappy with 50 year leases. Obviously some commercial leasing is required to fund restoration, but control must remain with the established Trust.
29	The community feel.
30	Diversity, community and tolerance. It is a civil community
31	Our inclusivity!! We need to make the inner west affordable for our students, immigrants and people with disabilities. Its our diveristy and creativity that comes from this that gives us strength and makes us known throughout Sydney and Australia.
32	The vibrancy of the community and that it's a "safe place" for LGBTQI people.
33	The people and the energy that is slowly emerging in areas such as Marrickville.
34	The diversity of the residents and how that's reflected in services and activities
35	Sense of community while fostering diversity. Opportunities for everyone!
36	Its age in Sydney's urban history; its preservation of a sense of the past; its proximity to the city centre.

37	It has become a much safer place to live in. Gentrification has been the main cause in making it a much safer place. Convenient facilities and a good range of local business'. Unfortunately, Norton Street has been left behind and has become stagnant in growth. Council needs to provide more parking to encourage patronage of local business and restaurants.
38	I love the diversity we have here. I can walk to parks, the river, cafes, the beautiful Library, live music venues, local breweries, galleries and more. Seriously, how good is that?
39	The Inner West is a place where everyone can be themselves, where there is tolerance and acceptance.
40	We are some of the most privileged people in the world. It is now time for us to help de-pollute and reforest the world, and, it can be done.
41	Being a place that diverse communities (cald, lgbtqia, socio-economic, young people) can still (sort.of) afford to live
42	The diversity of the people
43	The people who cannot afford to live rich and lavish life styles,
44	All are welcome here. The people make a place. It is one of the last bastions of inclusivity and diversity, whether that be racial, sexual, gender based, income based, education based, language based, career based. Please do all you can to keep us all together as one human family.
45	Convientient location with a highly diverse community
46	The people and the diversity of offerings.
47	Excellent walkability and community.
48	The widely variable community and the safety for all.
49	Diversity and inclusion of people, vibrant public spaces and well maintained parks and playgrounds, urban centres with shopfronts i.e. not homogenous shopping centres.
50	Creative and great food/produce
51	Its diversity and unity among people of all ethnicity. I feel safe and supportive in the community.
52	It is a vibrant area with so much happening.

53	What was unique that that Marrickville was a very mixed diverse area, I know that much of this has changed due to State Government policies, but want council to fight back against state government mandates.
54	It used to be cool, when Government didn't intervene so much.
55	The accessibility of so many things that make life enjoyable.
56	I value that the inner west is a progressive community. It is an attractive, green community with lots of parks and open spaces. It supports residents to be more sustainable (though it could do more). I love the villages (King street, Darling street, Booth street, Norton street). I strongly support the public and social housing available in the inner west and would like to see council do more for affordable housing in the area.
57	Low tolerance for racism
58	Its a true inner city melting pot. Truly inclusive of anyone no matter there background or who they identify as. Oh and Terry the homeless guy is just so funny to chat with and Dogs its really all about the dogs.
59	I do value the youth that live in the innerwest (but unfortunately they probably won't remain here as they are being priced out of the innerwest). Great parks, local shops, libraries, and pools in walking distance.
60	The wildlife
61	Diversity and progressiveness
62	Diversity of people.
63	The vibe - small town feel whilst central to everything.
64	Foods
65	I value its cultural heritage and modern diversity. I also value the tree-lined streets and parklands and all the wildlife that I share this space with - please don't forget about them while we make further development for our already-very-comfortable human lives.
66	Being able to walk to shops. Lots of parks. Diversity of people
67	Community and environmentally minded. Thank you for asking my opinion :)
68	Diverse and tolerant community, historic buildings, small independent businesses, good arts.

69	The culture and accessibility to sustainable activities
70	1. The sense of community that comes from the shared appreciation of a high street to shop / do business / eat / go out instead of going into high rise shopping centres 2. Multi-culture, multi-age population 3. Ability to walk everywhere / use public transport 4. Have outdoor areas to relax (parks, the harbour)
71	Inner West is potentially the creative, thinking, dynamic hub of Sydney that can lead an Australia desperately devoid of political leadership.
72	The old houses and low streetscapes; the diverse community (although this is under threat from an increasingly wealth-driven occupation), and the GREEN SPACES. The beautiful old trees.
73	Trees and more trees, fix Enmore road and king street plant trees.
74	Active transport, and removing car trips and dangerous heavy vehicles from all non-RMS roads in IWC
75	The Inner West remains one of the most people friendly and socially and culturally aware areas in Sydney: we LOVE it.
76	Relaxed vibe
77	We seem to share the same demographic in the Inner West - Aboriginal culture at the forefront, other Australians from many cultural backgrounds, a pro-environment ethos, a focus on what is best for the community rather than political nit-picking
78	Its heritage, its beautiful homes, its proximity to public transport (train stations) and the ability to walk everywhere and just the general vibe of the inner west and its residents.
79	Pluralism
80	Diversity and liberalism.
81	Inner westies are unique because of their views on reuse and recycling, repairing, strive for 0 waste etc. Council does not support this view entirely shown in the lack of a compostable waste collection but I'm pleased council has taken on the hard to recycle service of door collection for soft plastic, styrofoam etc
82	I value the progressive ethos of the inner west, I see it represented in the councillors that are elected, but not in the actions that they take - if the greens and labour councillors could work together more harmoniously I'm sure we could continue to enhance our progressive, innovative reputation. At the moment we're left far far behind by councils like City of Sydney who have taken the lead that I hope we can follow.

83	Connectivity to city, culture, recreation, diverse, leafy and near water ways: harbour/river.
84	A Vibrant and diverse place that can accommodate the needs of all within the local community.
85	The community and its diversity.
86	the people
87	Close enough to cycle or walk most places, no cycle or walking safety in ASHFIELD Ward for 4, 10, 20 years. Stop ignoring Ashfield area
88	Our heritage buildings and protecting and enhancing our natural environment. This means protecting what is left of our old building stock, maintaining green spaces and attending to litter that washes down our drains and into our oceans. Providing a safe and vibrant urban environment with a commitment to a net zero economy and favouring public transport.
89	The location. Access to transport, range of shops. Please stop pushing political ideology in the face of residents. Focus on providing local government services.
90	Progressive population
91	Diversity, green spaces, proximity to city, food, culture, heritage buildings, strong community spirit of like minded people.
92	I most value the easy transport links to the city. I don't understand the second question and I don't believe it has any value.
93	Remove the appalling tagging !
94	It's heritage which is being squandered by Inner West Council who is intent on cuddling up with developers leading to rampant overdevelopment. I would value most the de-amalgamation of this council.
95	Diverse community engagement but it lacks useable public spaces.
96	It's eclectic
97	Sense of community amongst residents and focus on creative businesses. ie craft brewing around Marrickville.
98	Heritage; character; 'villages' where people know one another (which is why over-development MUST be stopped); (most) residents have a sense of community and their responsibilities to it; family-run businesses where customers are known and treated well; (what used to be ) reasonable access to the CBD, beaches, and Arts centres like the SOH



	& Walsh Bay (the 'light rail' debacle has caused all of this to become almost unmanageable).
99	I value the greenspace and trees we have, the facilities we have that are functional for people, the commitment to useful services and flexibility demonstrated during the pandemic. The Inner West doesn't need to be unique, ideally it will be an affordable, welcome, community-oriented and safe place for people to spend time living, working, playing.
100	Community feel
101	The creative spaces in interesting places.
102	I value the history and heritage, the quirky arts and culture and the sense of community.
103	The community atmosphere generated by the local cafes and businesses and the amount of parks that cater to a variety of needs
104	Its people and its history.
105	I live on a spectacularly beautiful peninsula with access to clean water, good transport and a sense of community.
106	no
107	It's diversity of subcultures
108	Close to city and emergency ammenities and a big LGBTQI community.
109	Queer positive. Walkability. Food forests and native nursery.
110	It's only unique if it takes the initiative to make the plans actually happen by being able to confront big business and the status quo, which will make the people proud to live here and be part of moving forward.
111	Its people and proximity to different vibe suburbs. i want a connected area that relies less on cars, that is cool and sustainable
112	Diversity. Tolerance. At the moment sadly not good services though
113	Inclusivity and a community feeling
114	Value the Parks, Reserves and Recreation Centers. Unique it has an open Landscape.

115	IWC has been uniquely ineffective, hampered by the egos and ambitions bound to ideology and politics.
116	Multiculturalism.
117	multiculturalism, artistic expression & a supportive & innovative council
118	Diverse community that values social and environmental justice.
119	You still feel like you're in the country in some of those gem greenspace inner-city boroughs - then you look out the window and see the Anzac Bridge and Sydney CBD skyline and realise it could be one of the best places in the world to live.
120	It's aboriginal and colonial history, clean and safe environment, multiculturalism
121	A carbon neutral, livable, sustainable suburb with culture and character
122	Living here in a medium density neighbourhood offers great opportunity for low environmental footprint living.
123	Progressive feel. Sense of diversity and community cohesion.
124	It proximity to Transport and its community.
125	Cultural diversity, food diversity, enormous range of local businesses: niche manufacturers, specialist product and service suppliers, fashion, metal work, props, etc etc. Green spaces, recreational venues, great council early learning centres. Vibrancy in local economy, innovation, creativity, culture.
126	The arts, culture, people
127	Community
128	it is no longer unique, that time has long gone
129	The amount of green space and biodiversity
130	It's cultural diversity. Public Transport. Fresh food shops. Restaurants ... after 20 years here the main strip has not changed much ... has not gone the way of Balmain and Paddington with all fashion and homewares and no local shopping.
131	
132	Until the site 120 C Old Canterbury Road looks decent - I dont consider Inner WEst a unique place.

133	The unique and diverse people who make the culture of the inner west what it is. The strong sense of community and progressive approach to change. The commitment to sustainability and protection the environment and heritage.
134	The diversity of the area and the people
135	A diverse community that values the arts and environment
136	Diversity, connectivity and vibrancy.
137	Unpretentious, interesting, walkable community with very good parks, cafes, pubs, local businesses etc.
138	Its accessibility and transport connections
139	Diversity, ease of getting around, focus on planting more trees.
140	Village atmosphere. Walker and cyclist friendly qway from the main roads
141	Walkability and inclusivity
142	The feel of inclusivity and friendliness
143	The former individual council areas made each of it's own local government area unique.
144	I love Sydney Park. I like the murals. I love the politics of most of the conversations I overhear in the street.
145	It's home
146	A connected local community with a commitment to diversity and inclusion. Improving tree coverage and green spaces, reducing car use, and increasing cycling infrastructure would make it truly great.
147	Village feel; strong public transport links and existing cycling infrastructure
148	Historic area, proximity to city, public transport , great food, diversity
149	Diversity of culture. Areas of nature. Not (yet) completely over developed.
150	The community who have lived there for decades. Listen to them and you will have all your answers. Blow ins don't get to have a say in Balmain, and never will. My two children were born here, and my daughter will live here when I die, and I want to lave a more sympathetic, growing place than is present now. I am glad there are already highly limited high-rise, though.

151	Cultural and ecological diversity. The variety of foods and cultures and arts scene
152	Socio economic diversity and non pretentious approach to life. It runs the risk of being more available for the wealthy only.. lets prevent that.. and monstrosity developments like Ashfield.
153	Keep council as one merged Inner West
154	Diversity, liveability and proximity to all we need makes the Inner West special, and the shared values of caring for each other and our environment.
155	sense of community
156	Diversity, (POC and queer communities seem to be increasing here and I love it!), and ease of public transport (which is why we chose to move to Ashfield)
157	Creative /non-conventional /bohemian /educated
158	The environment and parks and village like atmosphere
159	Good public transport connections, mixed/ medium density, a love of good food.
160	It's easy to get around, close to the city and I enjoy the diversity of our different suburbs. I enjoy using the public pools and libraries
161	It's close to the city of Sydney. The further west you go the more miserable the city becomes. It doesn't have to be like that.
162	The heritage, but also the people willing to make changes to improve the lives of all
163	walkways surrounded by nature. Multicultural eateries. The cafes. The entertainment factor - live music; live comedy. Maintain venues like the factory.
164	Great space, special and vibrant high streets, diverse communities
165	Diversity of the people & community, great neighbourhoods. Charm & character of old houses, villas and traditional shopping strips. Creative hubs with music venues and great restaurants.
166	Proximity to many cultural and urban facilities and the city of Sydney
167	Beautiful architecture, parks, trees, great restaurants and cafes, some walkable neighbourhoods (mostly Newtown), vibrant high streets. But we need fewer cars!
168	The community, diversity, and greater safety (for the most part) among immigrants, queers, and others who might not feel so safe elsewhere.

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the people.