

16 February 2022

The Hon. Anthony Roberts Minister for Planning and Homes GPO Box 5341 SYDNEY NSW 2001

Dear Minister,

RE: Draft Companion Animal Management Plan Callan Park

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Companion Animal Plan for Callan Park. Council seeks to work with Government to ensure that Callan Park and its special qualities are safeguarded and protected for the people of Sydney.

This correspondence is Inner West Council's (*Council*) submission on the Draft Companion Animal Management Plan for Callan Park and seeks to address the on and off leash access proposal and legislation relating to dogs in the park.

Draft Companion Animals Access Proposals

The Draft Companion Animal Access Proposals for Callan Park are highlighted in Fig 1.0 below.

Fig 1.0 Callan Park Companion Animal Access Plan



Figure 3: Callan Park CAMP Council shared and off-leash areas.

Note between 10pm and 5am the whole of GSP managed area is on-leash



With respect to the access proposal, Council would like to draw Greater Sydney Parkland's (GSP) attention to the most recent resolution of Council dated 24 May 2021, which clearly states Council position regarding dog off leash access within Callan Park:

It was resolved THAT:

1. The existing on-leash provisions for sporting fields, while in use, be formalised;

2. The Bay Run, Waterfront Gardens, Broughton Hall Gardens, the NGO Precinct, the UTAS Precinct, NSW Ambulance, the Kirkbride Precinct, and the Nurses Quarter to continue as onleash; and

3. The remaining areas of the park managed by the Greater Sydney Parklands be designated offleash, including Callan Point beach (the 'dog beach'). Provision to be made to protect vulnerable vegetation and Aboriginal middens and carvings at Callan Point.

1.5. Existing legislation relating to companion animals in Callan Park

During the preparation of this submission, it became Council's view, that in the areas of the park managed by Greater Sydney Parklands, as well as the sports fields leased by Council, Council is **not** the regulatory authority under the *CA Act 1998* for the following offences:

- dog to wear collar and tag,
- dog in a public place must be under the effective control of a person,
- dog in a prohibited place,
- certain breeds of dogs to be muzzled,
- dog defecating in public place.

Council acknowledges that it maintains an enforcement role with respect to dog attacks and certain actions regarding dangerous, menacing and restricted breeds, among other administrative functions, but does <u>not</u> agree that the Trust and Inner West Council have dual responsibility to enforce on-leash requirements under the *CA Act 1998*.

Community Feedback

On 7 December 2021, Council via it's yoursay.innerwest webpage, sought the views of the community on the draft CAMP, these views are included as an attachment (Attachment 1) to this submission.

Yours sincerely

Graeme Palmer Senior Manager Regulatory Services



Attachment 1

Community Feedback

Below is the raw data feedback provided to Council between 17 December 2021 – 8 February 2022.

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1	I like to take my dog to Callan Park and surrounds. But i really don't like seeing dogs on the sprots grounds and have often seen dogs digging holes on the sports grounds and leaving holes on the sports grounds. This is dangerous for kids and adults. dogs have quite a few options already - cant we keep them off the sports ovals?	Summer hill
2	The plan should include all other areas (expect for the health/heritage precincts, and Bay-run/foreshore paths) as off-leash prior to 8:30am (ie before peak times). The discussion provided by the panel on 13/12 did not adequately address this issue. Many places across Sydney, including other parks in the Inner West and Sydney CBD, and many coastal beaches have times when dogs are permitted "off-leash" prior to peak morning times. The argument provided by the panel that having these times as off-leash is discriminatory against "shift workers" does not speak to the benefit for the majority of the population - and is not backed-up any research or precedents - ie the opposite is the case where this works well for other communities. The plan should be amended to increase the area of off-leash prior to 8:30.	Leichhardt
3	I would like to see the off-leash areas increased to include a full loop around the Kirkbride walls. The area north of Kirkbride between the walls and the road is narrow and is used by walkers, not picnickers or those seeking relaxation or quiet contemplation - so this area would be prime for a continuation of the off-leash areas creating a 'loop' for walking dogs off-leash. The 'formal' garden and entry in front (east) of the Kirkbride buildings is a ridiculous and outdated notion, and this area should definitely off-leash (the fact that this has been omitted shows that the people planning the CAMP are out of touch with the present day use and are romantics for an out-of-date, Victorian-era style use for this area. I recommend they spend just one day there to observe for themselves that a 'formal' green with only an on-leash area is a complete heritage over-reach. I also believe that there is strong potential in time-share off-leash areas - how can this be too complicated when large amounts of new signage and fencing will be introduced. At all other time-share locations I've ever been, the locals have been well versed in the rules - us inner westies are not stupid, we can handle time-share.	Leichhardt
4	The areas around the Kirkbride complex and the area surrounding the beach should be off leash for dogs. Dog owners currently make good use of this space with few problems.	Leichhardt

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5	 I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request the following amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I have lived in Rozelle since 1999 and always walk my dog in Callan Park and take him for a swim at the "dog beach". I ask the NSW Government to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. 2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. 3. Add a second fenced off-leash area where the warehouse/loading dock lies derelict (B201-3) which is a flat area. People enter the park from many different suburbs and a second off-leash, fenced area in Central Green will ensure all dog owners have access to these areas for puppies, nervous and unsociable dogs. 4. Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash, which is set away from Garry Owen House. This field is of no heritage or environmental value. 6. Allow Off-leash acea sto the shady green path between Convalescent Cottages and the if grees. This has long been a shady rout take this off-leash aceas to the shading us to enjoy its tranquility as we head for the Callan Point dog beach. <	Rozelle
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	lack of fencing, etc. between the sections will already mean that the off leash area will encroach on the on leash area.	
7	My wife and I have lived and worked in the Inner West for over a decade, most recently living in Annandale. We love the friendly dog- centric neighborhood. However the local off-lease parks are far too small, unfenced and adjacent to roads to be of any use to walk my two Irish Red and White Setters safely. Luckily we are only a short drive from Callan Park, allowing us to exercise and socialise our dogs safely.	Annandale
	If the planned restrictions come in we will have to seriously consider moving out of the area that we love.	
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8	I have been an Inner West resident for over 25 years and have always enjoyed walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park. I enjoy walking my dogs in Callan Park, and love having the ability to allow them to run around and socialise with other dogs off lead. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash. However I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off- leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	Haberfield
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9	To Minister Stokes and the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Balmain
	My name is Management who lives in Balmain and every weekend and many days in the week, we take Lola our cattle dog cross to Callan Park, she loves walking off leash and gets her much needed exercise and have a great play with fellow dogs and the social aspect of us meeting other dogs walkers as we walk across the whole park.	
	Although I see no problem with how the park currently operates with regards to off leash walking for dogs, I appreciate that changes are going to happen however: I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
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10	To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands, I have lived in the Inner West resident for over 20 years and have always enjoyed walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park. And in the last 3 years, this has been with my young child too.	Annandale
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	Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
	People can already go to so many other green places where dogs are not allowed, as well as most city beaches.	
	I, alongside many others, demand you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments:	
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	4) Give legislative and publicised assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. Or is your plan to take this off-leash area away from us in future? The Liberal Government of NSW has proven time and time again it cannot be trusted with its development promises in the inner west.	
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11	To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Leichhardt
	I have been walking my dog off leash in the beautiful grounds of Callan Park for 6 years. My dog, loves running through three sometimes long grass, sniffing about, meeting other dogs and zooming about Kirkbride Gardens. I'm appreciative of the space and opportunity my dog has to socialise and enjoy our long walks here.	
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15	To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands, We live on Balmain Road, and have walked our terrier in Callan Park for many years. We believe we are responsible owners, always removing any waste she leaves, and managing her behaviour in such a way that she does not impair other people's enjoyment of the amenities.	Lilyfield
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16	I am a resident of Balmain and I have been walking my dogs off leash in Callan Park since 1987. I have well trained active dogs competing in both agility and obedience competitions over the years and we have really relished the freedom and space in Callan Park. These last few years have been difficult for us all; the community has	Balmain
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	Then have you really studied the usage of the park?	
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17	To Minister Anthony Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands, I have been a Balmain/Rozelle resident since 1990 and fully discovered the beauty and serenity of Callan Park two years ago with our young Golden Retriever, Gus. For our family of four (plus Gus) walking through the parkland most mornings and afternoons is the highlight of our day where we love seeing the joy it brings Gus, in particular when he has off-leash freedom to explore and play with other dogs. In particular, the grassy area of the Kirkbride precinct is a favourite community meet up area of like minded locals. Many local friendships have been formed during the last couple of years, purely from the shared joy of seeing our dogs socialising. In addition this area is a wonderful place for our monthly Inner West Golden Retriever meet ups. Gus adores the Callan Beach and I'm pleased to see this area has been allocated as off-leash, however of the one third the park that has been allocated as off-leash, a bit under half is timeshare or no access.	Rozelle

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18	I have made a submission to Greater Sydney Parklands. There are so many of us for whom Callan Park is a place of respite and joy, for us and our dogs. We share it respectfully with all. Please, please, please fight to preserve our off-leash areas. Thank you.	Haberfield
19	 TO: CAMP@dpie.nsw.gov.au To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands, I made the move from the eastern suburbs to the Inner West 9 years ago purely because of Callan Park and its fabulous off-lead walking areas. I have 2 well behaved dogs and we love our twice daily walks for the exercise, fresh air and the social aspect of meeting other likeminded local residents. To have all this in the Inner West is such a blessing. There is a wonderful group of responsible dog owners who walk together each day – great friendships have developed adding to a great community spirit. It would be such a shame to see this impacted by needless restriction of off-lead dog walking areas, especially as the existing situation works so well. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. Add a second fenced off-leash area awhere the warehouse/loading dock lies derelict (B201-3) which is	Rozelle

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20	I moved to the Inner West, Annandale and then Lilyfield over 32 years ago. Over that time I have been walking our dog (three over that time span, 2 Labradors and a Kelpie), we have enjoyed our strolls through the park, either wandering or throwing and retrieving a ball almost every day. On weekends we often have family accompany us and have a picnic. Most people I come across in the park have a dog either by their side or chasing a ball or stick, usually the dog is off leash to allow a bit of exercise and fun. I see from the new proposal that there has been allocated some areas for off leash including the beach, but overall very restrictive and unnecessary. I do see the need for some on leash areas, but it seems to be very extreme, the opposite of what has been a very successful outdoor venue for strollers, picnickers and people walking their dogs. From the Callan Park Dog Lovers: I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking, other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. 2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. 3. A	Lilyfield

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22	 children elderly I have been an Inner West resident for over 15 years and have always enjoyed walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park, especially during lockdown periods for a safe place to exercise and get out of the house for my mental health; walking from one end of the park to the other and I enjoy watching my dogs play and socialise at Kirkbride Gardens. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash; however, I am extremely concerned about the proposed 	Balmain
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23	I have lived and run a business in the inner west for 25 years now and Callan Park is one of the places I go most days to walk my dog. The reason it is so great is that it is off-leash and the only large area where we can let our canine companion have real exercise. This area is very important to preserve as off-leash. I've had three dogs over the years and all of them have enjoyed playing and running at Callen Park. I also love the social aspect it provides for dog owners such as myself.	Balmain
24	I have lodged a submission to reconsider the CAMP to allow greater off leash areas for dogs	Newtown
25	To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Lilyfield
	I am a Lilyfield resident and have been for 15 years. During that time I have walked my dogs daily, off-leash. I love to walk the entire park and meeting all the other dog owners and their dogs, I have formed great relationships over the years and have a strong sense of community from this experience.	
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27	Minister Stokes and the Greater Parklands Sydney We have been residents of Inner West for over 40 years and for the past 30 years have owned many dogs and have walked all our dogs at Callan Park. In all those years we have never seen dogs fighting or people being attacked by dogs because of them off leash. The dog owners I have met over those years are responsible in the main and caring for others in the park and their dogs are usually well trained. Now that I am retired I drive there many days each week to walk my 2 dogs. It is such a pleasure and such wonderful exercise for all of us. It's the only real open space that has beautiful tree filled walks and interesting topography in the inner west topped off with a chance for the dogs to take a dip in the water. One point I would like to add to the many good points of dog walking in this beautiful space is the fact that dogs and their owners and walkers especially off leash allow for greater safety for all who use the park. People are there from early morning until sunset walking with their dogs and many studies show when parks are used this way people feel safe walking because they either have dogs with them or dogs are around . It increase the security of the whole site. I am so pleased that off leash is being granted. However I have concerns and would like the points listed below to be considered. We dog owners in the inner west have very limited and over crowded off leash enclosed areas for dogs to exercise. They also give limited walking area for their owners and there is so much joy in walking with a dog off leash rather than on leash around suburban streets. Inner west residents have over 40,000 dogs Callan Park is the only great open space in the Inner West to walk safely with our companion animals in a relaxed environment for this reason I ask the NSW government to please consider the following	Summer Hill
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28	 Hi, I have lived in the inner west my whole life, & have been coming to Callan park since I was a Small child. I have been walking my dogs off-leash through Callan park for over 25 years. It's been such a joy to watch my dogs play & socialise with other dogs throughout all of Callan park but especially Kirkbridge gardens. It's not only fantastic for them but for us humans too. It's great for their mental health & ours, & I wouldn't know what we would do with our this wonderful place. I am so grateful that you have allocated the Callan point dog each as offleash. However I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask NSW Dept of Planning and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all 	Lilyfield

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	8. Commit funds to a bindi treatment program in Off-leash areas. Most dogs simply cannot walk on bindis, making bindi-infested off-leash areas unusable for three months of the year.	
29	I want the Inner West Council to support the needs of dog-owners who use Callan Park off-leash and to insist that the Greater Sydney Parklands changes the CAMP to include more off-leash. I have been walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park for twelve years and not once has anyone objected to me doing so. I am part of a large dog-owning community in the Inner West and Callan Park is the only big park in the Inner West that enables me to roam, play and walk with my dogs off-leash. Dog-owners are the biggest group to use Callan Park and most of us walk our dogs there every day of the year. I walk my dogs twice a day in Callan Park, including Christmas Day. Even during the Covid lockdown when people were only allowed to have	Balmain

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	picnics in parks but not gather at home or in indoors places, dog	
	owners navigated around the picnickers who arrived in Callan Park. Many kids came up to me and asked to pat my dogs. Now the Covid	
	lockdown is a thing of the past and we are in summer, there are hardly	
	any picnickers.	
	Dog owners like me are fed up with being treated as if our enjoyment	
	of parks is second place to other park users. My mental health and	
	well being matters, even if the NSW Dept of Planning and the Greater	
	Sydney Parklands appears to think otherwise.	
	I am very grateful the CAMP has allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash. I want to clarify that there is a larger beach area and a	
	smaller beach area either side of the Callan Point headland and I	
	understand that the off-leash status covers both beaches which are	
	really part of the same one. I do not refer to the stretch of grassy	
	space abutting the decaying seawall on the West side of the headland,	
	I refer to the Northern part.	
	However, I am extremely concerned about the highly restrictive	
	proposed CAMP that will result in two-thirds of the park being on-leash (including the NSW Dept of Health land which is on-leash) and I	
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	stonework. Your argument about heritage and sensitive vegetation is	
	utter rubbish. The damage is done by people who graffiti walls, break	
	windows, leave rubbish, and cut down bamboo with saws to build	
	cubby houses for their kids. I can only assume that the GSP has an	
	ulterior motive: remove dogs from outside the front of the Kirkbride Precinct, just in case a big corporate/events management company	
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30	I am a long time resident of Rozelle (over 20 years) and my home is within metres of Callan Park. I am also a long time dog owner, and currently have one dog. We walk in Callan Park almost every day. My now 18 year old son and I walk from the bottom of King George Park up through the park, from end to end and side to side, including Kirkbride Gardens and other areas. We walk the park with our dog all times of day, from first thing in the morning to later in the day, week days and weekends. It is the most beautiful space, rarely crowded, enjoyed by a wide range of people and activities. Dog walking is one of those activities. As you may know or could certainly ascertain, there are few areas of such space in the inner west. It is large enough to find space to avoid people if you want to, avoid crowded areas, avoid those engaging activities which a person might not enjoy (there is an occasional bagpipe player for example, and once a fellow walking his pony, but if you want to get away from them you can).	Rozelle
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32	Email template: responding to the proposed Companion Animal Management Plans for Callan Park CAMP@dpie.nsw.gov.au Attention: Minister Rob Stokes and the Greater Sydney Parklands Dear All: I have been an Inner West resident for more than two decades. When I had my first child 20 years ago, I started experiencing the joys of Callan Park. Since getting my first dog as an adult eight years ago (and my second eight months ago), its wonders are a source of daily joy and inspiration to me, to my dogs Jack and Monty, and still on occasion to my kids, now 20 and 17, who sometimes join us. My husband walks there daily, too, sometimes now with one dog. Even after all this time, we keep discovering new pockets to explore. It feels almost like a sacred place to us all – and that is how we treat it. We pick up after ourselves, we take care never to interrupt the peace for other people (with or without dogs), or to disrupt sporting endeavours of any kind, be they kids in the cricket nets or adults on	HABERFIELD

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	Glover Oval. As for many Sydneysiders, this rolling green space, steeped in history and modern-day adventures, was especially important (I'd say essential) during Covid lockdowns. In the first round, I was also going through chemotherapy, and then last year radiotherapy. At the time, we still had only one dog and I spent longer than ever in the healing grounds of Callan Park. I am writing to you, as are many, because I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other IW parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are packed with too many dogs and a completely different experience for both humans and companion animals. I respectfully but pleadingly ask the NSW Government to please consider the following: Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement could be the solutions: off-leash before 10am and after 5pm.	
	Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade, and a second gated and fenced off-leash area to be set up where the warehouse/loading dock used to be, which is a flat area.	
	Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. I beg of you: please don't take this off-leash area away from us ever!	
	Extend the small, nominated area of off-leash at Writing NSW to include the field that runs down to Central Avenue. For decades dog owners have used this grassy field to exercise their dogs Off-leash, which is set away from Garry Owen House. This field is of no heritage or environmental value.	
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	Commit funds to a bindi treatment program in Off-leash areas. Most dogs simply cannot – or more importantly will not – walk on bindis, making bindi-infested off-leash areas unusable for three or more months of the year.	
33	To Minister Roberts and the Greater Sydney Parklands and Inner West Council,	Lilyfield
	I am a local resident in Lilyfield and have lived in the Rozelle and Lilyfield area for over a decade. Part of my decision to stay in this area is the amazing off leash space Callan Park provides for my dog. As a couple that doesn't have children, our dog and being able to walk him off-leash every day, roaming through Callan Park has been a lifeline in these challenging times. It's given us both the space and freedom with our dog to be able to combat all manner of mental health struggles. the Joy we see in our dog roaming free through all the areas of Callan Park right now brings immeasurable happiness to both of us.	
	However, I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments:	
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34	I have been an Inner West resident for over 20 years and have always enjoyed walking my dog off-leash in Callan Park. I love to walk from one end of the park to the other and I enjoy watching my dogs play and socialise at Kirkbride Gardens. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash. However" I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm.	Balmain
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35	My husband and I have 2 canine children that use Callan Park every day and we have lived in Rozelle / Lilyfield for over 30 years. Callan Park is at the end of ours street. I would like you to take the following points into consideration with the proposed restrictions to the on / off lead zones of Callan Park. I am extremely aware of where my dogs are let off leash and they are always controlled and well behaved. Majority of dog owners (probably 99.9%) are responsible. To be only granted a small range within Callan Park is hugely disappointing and unfair. I don't have children and I believe that my canine kids are kept under better control than some children that I have experienced in this area. I pay my taxes like everyone else, so why should I be disadvantaged because I have dogs. There are no enclosed dog areas within my district that I could walk to and use. Please be mindful of just some of the dedicated children's play areas near my home. Easton Park Rozelle Common Hippo Park Leichhardt Park Playground Leichhardt Park Children's Centre Trevor St Playground O'Connor Reserve There are lots of areas within Callan Park that other members of the general public do not use. An example of this is the area in front of Kirkbride Gardens. Please be mindful that there are parts of Callan Park that have close proximity to access roads, therefore unsuitable for picnicking with small children. And the number of children I have seen up running along this road is astounding. There is also no car parking in some of these areas, hence not suitable for family gatherings etc. I could keep going but I think that I have made my point, please take the time to understand where responsible members of the community find their enjoyment and with me it's in Callan Park with my dogs. Thank you in advance for your time.	Lilyfield
36	To Minister Stokes and the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Rozelle
	Having grown up in the countryside of the UK, I was used to being able to freely walk my family dogs off-leash - then when my partner & I moved to Sydney back in 2017, we were concerned as to how we may be able to facilitate such freedom for our own dog one day. We have always lived within the Rozelle/Balmain area and so we were over the moon to discover Callan Park shortly after we bought home our first dog, around 2 and a half years ago - the opportunity to be able to walk and train our new puppy off leash was such a welcome relief, and something we have done pretty much daily since. The park	

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	offered amazing opportunities for her to socialise in to the well mannered and well trained dog that she is today; whilst also allowing for us to make new friends through the amazing community of dog owners here in the Inner West.	
	When it came to our attention that this beautiful park, which by and large is used by dog owners & their families first and foremost, was looking to potentially lose a large majority of off-leash space it was frankly really worrying to us!	
	Whilst we are very grateful there are some areas, such as Callan Point Dog beach have been allocated as off-leash I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
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27	Thanks,	Libriold
37	Need off leash areas for dogs	Lilyfield
38	I have walked my dogs in Callan park for 10 years and although I am greatfull you have safeguarded some of the space for off leash dog waking i am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request some amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	Rozelle
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	Thank you for this opportunity to voice my concerns.	
39	Regards To the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Balmain
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	There is so much other public space for the general public please do listen to the majority of this community and keep more off-leash. Issues can be easily managed through a well respected and coordinated stakeholder group like ours.	
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42	To the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Leichhardt
	I am a Leichhardt resident and I enjoy walking my 2 beautiful dogs in Callan Park almost every day. I especially enjoy the fact that they can run free in the park rather than being constrained in a leash. We socialise with other dogs and people in Kirkbride gardens and enjoy the views, the open space and the access to the beach.	
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	I live in Lilyfield and walk my dog everyday in Callan Park. I come to you today to ask for your support for my concerns, detailed below, and the needs of thousands of local dog owners.	
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47	areas unusable for three months of the year. My husband and I are residents in Lilyfield and we use Callan Park	Lilyfield
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	for roaming with dogs, is one of the two main attractions for living here	
	- the other being the Bay Run, which is completely on-leash. The fact	
	that we can actually roam in Callan Park with the dogs - accessing	
	areas such as Kirkbride Gardens - is good for our dogs' health but also	
	for ours. I work for a mental health charity and I can tell you that the	
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	The truth is that this has nothing to do with the proposed restrictions in Kirkbride Gardens. I know this because I took part in the online discussion with the people who put together the proposed CAMP and one of them let slip that they wanted to ban off least dogs there because of the potential impact on the view from those buildings and what potential businesses or other organisations who might rent them would think of off-leash dogs (i believe the session was recorded, so you will be able to re-watch it and see exactly what was said.) I think this is an absolute disgrace, after we have been repeatedly assured that commercial interests would not interfere with local people's use of the park, including local dog walkers.	
	The CAMP completely disregards how Callan Park is used by the people who love it most. It puts commercial interests over those of local people and visitors to our area. The truth is, I do not object to the idea of commercial use of certain buildings within Callan park - although I know a lot of people do. I understand that the state government is not willing to invest the kind of money needed to renovate the historical buildings and therefore attracting that level of investment is necessary. But the idea that this can't be done without dismantling access for the people who use the park most is nonsensical.	
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	Thank you for the opportunity to submit to this consultation. I do hope that the needs and wishes of local dog owners can be taken into account and this CAMP will be updated accordingly. Throughout this process, we have spoken to people who have assured us that our needs would be met. To then have this CAMP proposed is a kick in the teeth for all of us that took that on good faith.But i am confident that can be rectified simply with these amendments.	

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49	 I have been an Inner West resident for over 15 years and have always enjoyed walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park with both my well behaved dogs. I love to walk from one end of the park to the other and I enjoy watching my dogs play and socialise at Kirkbride Gardens. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash. However" I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. Add a second fenced off-leash area where the warehouse/loading dock lies derelict (B201-3) which is a flat area. People enter the park from many different suburbs and a second off-leash, fenced area in Central Green will ensure all dog owners have access to these areas for puppies, nervous and unsociable dogs. Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. Or is your plan to take this off-leash a	Leichhardt

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50	I understand that the council is considering making Callan park on leash for dogs and I strongly oppose this. It should be an off leash location.	Balmain
51	I would like to support the off leash areas in callan Park. It provides a safe space for my pet and myself to explore the amazing surroundings of my community. This off leash area makes a huge difference in my lifestyle. I am able to socialise myself send my dog and also fit in activity time in the outdoors.	Russell lea
52	I am concerned that the draft does not reflect the needs of the community that most frequently and regularly use the park being local dog owners in the area who walk their dogs off leash for their own and their dogs needs. There is no where else in the area which meets that need. The restrictions proposed have adverse ramifications on the mental and physical health of a large number of people and their pets.	Balmain
53	Callan Park provides a great off leash area for my dog to exercise and also socialise with other dogs. Very good grounds with lots of facilities for humans and pets. I hope the off leash areas remain as it makes a big impact on my and my partners lifestyle for our pet.	Russell lea
54	As a local pet owner and rate payer, I would like to say that walking our dog is so important , in fact essential for both physical and mental health . With the extreme duress of the covid 19 times, it has become even more important that we pet owners are able to exercise in natural environments, the familiar, and existing leash free areas which are causing no problems allow for both pet and owner to recharge their resources without stress, As a local health professional I would add that I have seen isolated and vulnerable locals to callan Park become sad, weaker, lonely, afraid of change Most currently Leash free areas in callan do not need to be removed from access- Dog owners of course want to share our precious natural spaces, but I submit these I'd so much more harm than good to come from removing leash free areas , particularly in these restricted times ? Must our time outdoors be in a prison of a contained space, watched and tethered, please consider the health rights of dog owners to use of free land freely, of course as FAIRLY shared, not unnecessarily fettered.	Balmain

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55	Please it's very important to my mental well being to maintain the off leash areas for my dog. The fact that my dog can walk freely in a safe area is priceless but adds a distinctive cache to the local area which can only be a plus in terms of property prices. Area desirability etc.	Rozelle
56	Concerned that Callan Park off leash area is too small for the many residents. Dogs need to explore, roam off lead, to help socialise and build confidence with other dogs. There is proven benefit both mentally and physically If dogs and owners can both walk off lead allowing for a bond between dog and owner. Since Callan Park has been unofficially off lead for so long, I urge the council to keep it this way as we have proven we can care for the park over the years.	Rozelle
57	I have lived in Cecily st Lilyfield for 27 years and raised my 3 children here. I never used or even entered Callan Park in all those years except: 1)to drop kids at Rozelle Childcare in 1998-2000 twice a week 2) to go to soccer on Waterfront oval on winter Saturday mornings in 2014-16. I have now had a dog since October 2020I walk in Callan Park TWICE A DAY with a new community of wonderful people of all ages and backgrounds. It has brought joy to my life to go to the top of my street and let my dog play off leash with his friends as we walk around the sandstone building chatting and picking up poo. Why does this have to change? We are the only people there! If I do happen to see a picnic group I immediately put my dog on a leash. However, those lockdown days of picnics seem to be gone!! Please do not push us into the smaller area where the derelict buildings and swimming pool is located. I would be more likely to drive up there if this is the case and so traffic will greatly increase causing a danger to children, dog walkers and dogs alike. Driving to this area will also cause parking issues and be environmentally unfriendly when most people in Rozelle and Lilyfield walk from there homes to Callan Park's main gate at the top of Cecily Street. In the 500 days that I have now walked my dog in Callan Park I have seen NO ISSUES of dogs behaving badly. I see dogs playing and sniffing happily off leash. I see people walking and chatting with their dogs. I see poo being picked up and put in the (scarce) bins. I see the Security Guard waving to us. And then I saw revolting GRAFFITI with hateful and threatening slogans aimed at us repeatedly. Threats of killing and incredible defacement of our beautiful park and sandstone buildings. So, who do you listen to? The picnic people who are now back in their holiday homes or out at the pubs and restaurants? Or the lunatics threatening us and committing illegal acts which are frankly quite frightening. Have these people been apprehended? Or to the dog owners who actually c	Lilyfield,NSW 2040

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	the regeneration above King George oval has been a great project and I am happy not to walk here if that is part of keeping Callan Park off leash. Please do not implement your proposed draft plan.	
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	beach and a smaller beach either side of the Callan Point headland and I understand that the off-leash status covers both beaches. I am extremely concerned about the highly restrictive proposed CAMP	

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	that will result in two-thirds of the park being on-leash (including the NSW Dept of Health land which is on-leash) and I request eight amendments. The CAMP does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. Dogs in this area do no damage: they do not eat bamboo or stonework. Your argument about heritage and sensitive vegetation is utter rubbish. The damage is done by people who graffit walls, break windows, leave rubbish, and cut down bamboo with saws to build cubby houses for their kids. I can only assume that the GSP has an ulterior motive: remove dogs from outside the front of the Kirkbride Precinct, just in case a big corporate/events management company should take over the Kirkbride Precinct. Your priority should be park users' enjoyment and not commercialization of Callan Park. 2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. 3. Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. Or is your plan to take this off-leash area away from us in future? 4. Extend the small, nominated area of off-leash at Writing NSW to include the field that runs down to Central Avenue. For decades dog owners have used this grasys field to exercise their dogs Off-leash, which is set away from Garry Owen House. This has long been a shady route taken by dog owners, enabling	

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59	I have been an Inner West (Rozelle) resident for over 23 years and have always enjoyed walking my dogs off-leash in Callan Park. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off- leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	Rozelle
	I ask NSW Dept of Planning and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments:	
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60	I have lived in Balmain for around 20 years and enjoy walking my 2 dogs off-leash in Callan Park – it is a good distance from the centre of Balmain and offers some bush-like surroundings to ensure my dogs get enrichment and variety in their walks. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space	Balmain
	for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
61	I am an inner west resident, business owner, and dog lover . I recently rediscovered Callan Park after returning to the area. This rediscovery came at a time when I was under immense stress in my life. I found going to the park did the world of good for my mental health and for the health of my dog. Being able to walk freely with my dog, to let my mind relax and be free, to be in a safe environment like Callan park was like a god send. There are no other spaces like Callan Park in the inner west that you can do this. We do go to Sydney Park once a week, but only ever in the late evenings as it is too congested with people running, walking their dogs or cycling. The limited land space at Sydney Park creates a level stress as the overall space ratio per person + dog is too restrictive.	enmore

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	Whereas at Callan Park, the overall land space to freely walk off leash is vast. I can't explain how important that is to have. In addition, the trees offer a respite from the heat of summer that no other park in the inner west can offer. this is so essential when walking dogs as they easily overheat.	
	I understand that there are plans being considered too dramatically reduce the area that we can freely walk our dogs. I have looked at the proposed map and have to say that I'm (respectful) strongly against the level of reduction in space.	
	I do support no go areas for park oval, sporting fields, picnic areas, children's play areas, but from what is shown, that isn't the areas covered under the plan or "on leash"	
	I ask that serious consideration is given to the residents who live and pay rates, state taxes etc to be given a voice is what happens to Callan Park and dog walking.	
62	Thank you for your time to read this I bought my home in Lilyfield just over six and half years ago with the	Lilyfield
	proximity Callan Park a significant reason for my decision. As a dog owner I recognised the importance of the park for both dogs and my well-being. This has only increased in recent years, with the advent of Covid-19 and the increasing role dogs have played in my social and professional life. A key value of Callan Park is its extensive grounds allowing our dogs to have the rare (in the inner city) but much needed room to play and socialise off-leash. At Callan Park my dog can have the opportunity to explore and play in a safe environment well away from traffic. It has also been my community, being new to the area. Walking my dog in the park has led me to new contacts and close friends. The park provides an essential space for social connection, with people able to play, picnic, exercise and socialise. Due to Callan Park's size and layout, and despite the significant off-leash areas, people with or without dogs have been able to interact without conflict or issue. Callan Park has become essential to my daily life through Covid. I have recently gotten a west highland terrier and the park has been a great place for my new puppy to learn to socialise with other dogs in a safe environment. Also, with the climate heating up it has been great to be able to walk our dogs through the shady green path between the Convalescent Cottages and fig trees, stopping to have a quick play before heading down to the doggy beach.	
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63	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, Part of the reason we moved to Balmain was the vibrant dog friendly culture. We have a rescue dog and struggle to find places for him to have an off lease zoomie away from high levels of traffic. We've been using Callan Park regularly for dog walks (part on lease / part off leash) since we moved to the area. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	Rozelle
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64	I routinely walking my dog in a natural environment ,and will go by car to leash free in callan park areas - as i have been able to do without trouble for decades and this good for the mental and physical health of both myself and my family. As a responsible dog owner, I pick up after my dog if she poops, ,I keep her under control if near other people; I do not let her go into bush regeneration areas , nor disturb others o the "dog beach" I have met many parents with prams who want and need to take their dog and child to the park for their 'sanity ! I have found broken glass, rubbish from picknickers in the park - and have heard reporting of such oncethe bins are often overflowing , there has now been spray painting on the stone walls near the gardens - so although the majority of park users are responsible and well behaved,- you are not stopping picknicking because of the behaviour of afew-	DRUMMOYNE

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	The park rangers do there best, but can hardly be expected to 'police' the behaviour of all park users all the time . Trust in the majority to behave appropriately, Confined dogs who cannot go out for free exercise are more likely to be the annoying barking dog at home. Socially isolated people who leave near the park cannot always safely go to the proposed leash free areas at the times suggested. Particularly under the prolonged COVID 19 restrictions we suffer now, access to 'normal activities ' is essential to keep us safe from deterioration in mental health I Request that you seriously consider the shared usage plan as proposed by Callan Park Dog Lovers, which gives fair shared access to all	
65	As a new dog owner, I would really like to see a couple of fenced dog off lease areas, for training purposes. I think there needs to be more amenities - public toilets, bins and water fountains. There should be more clarity (maps particularly) about the different zoning. Make Kirkbride Gardens off leased up to the on leash bush care area. Make central Green fit for purpose by demolishing old buildings and planting trees for shade. Please allow off-leash access to the shady path between convalescent cottages and fig trees. Commit to a bindi treatment program - that would benefit everyone.	Rozelle
66	I have lived in the Innerwest for 30+ years and have been enjoying Callan Park for its wide open and 'free' spaces, especially for all the dogs that i have minded and walked there. I now have a dog of my own and walk/run/play/swim twice per day, every day, 7 days a week and without any issues. There are so few places like this and i treasure every moment that we are there. To see my dog and other dogs walking free, playing , sniffing brings so much joy to me. It has now become my therapy given the last two years have been difficult mentally.	Lilyfield
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67	 areas unusable for three months of the year. My name is and I am a resident of Leichhardt who has been visiting Callan Park for many years with my dogs. Callan Park is an important part of the local community. It is a place to walk our dogs freely off-leash, to take them to the dog beach, it is a sanctuary away from the hustle and bustle, and not congested by tourists. I love to walk from one end of the park to the other and I enjoy watching my dogs play and socialise at Kirkbride Gardens. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask the NSW Government to please consider the following: Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. 	Leichhardt
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	areas unusable for three months of the year. I appreciate hearing from you in regards to this matter	
68	Being able to walk my dog off leash in Callan Park has been so important for my mental health. We lived down the road from a man that threatened me with physical violence if my dog barked near his house, and our semi was attached to a family who were awfully unreasonable about noise. I felt unsafe in my own home and would panic anytime my dog made a noise (he was not a nuisance barker). Having the freedom to walk him off leash in the tranquility of the park was literally life-saving for me. Walking him on lead still felt restrictive, he deserved the freedom to walk and sniff and play and I needed a chance to walk and relax in a safe place. Please don't take this important resource away from people. There is plenty of room for everyone. If you reduce the off leash areas to such small areas it will cause congestion and it will not be enjoyable for anyone.	Rozelle
69	I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog owners will have easy access to these dog beaches. However, the plan does not include enough off-leash areas and does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area	Drummoyne

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70	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, I am a long-term Rozelle resident and have been a regular user of Callan Park for almost 20 years, for running and walking and for my children's soccer. I also walk my dog Felix (2-year-old rescue Jack Russell cross), off-leash through Callan Park at least once a day. Walking Felix off-leash through Callan Park gives us both joy and we are surprised and dismayed to see the proposed plan banning off- leash in the most popular and dog-friendly areas of Callan Park, in particular Kirkbride Gardens (or the 'dog party' as our family calls it) and Callan Point. This ban makes no sense for these areas because: They are not used for sport, recreation or picnics by other park users, especially Kirkbride Gardens which is on an awkward slope; They are away from roads or other thoroughfares used by other park users; and They are part of a natural dog-friendly 'route' that links with other off- leash areas, such as the Waterfront Sports oval. Also, we do not understand the logic of banning off-leash dogs on the grass area in the Kirkbride Precinct outside the stone walls of the buildings. This path (both paved and dirt track) is one of the most popular routes for off-leash dogs, it is away from the road, cyclists and all other park-users, there is no connection with the building or heritage precinct and it is beautifully shaded and scenic. My dog Felix loves rambling through here and enjoying the nature and scenery. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP, which restricts	Rozelle

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	dog-walkers to limited off-leash areas, which seems nonsensical when the current arrangements have worked so well for so many park-users for so long. At the very least, please consider time-share arrangements (such as off-leash before 10am and after 5pm), rather than an outright ban. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. 2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. 3. Add a second fenced off-leash area in Central Green. People enter the park from many different suburbs and a second off-leash, fenced area will ensure all dog owners have access to these areas for puppies, nervous and unsociable dogs. 4. Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. Or is your plan to take this off-leash area away from us in future? 5. Extend the small, nominated area of off-leash at Writing NSW to include the field that runs down to Central Avenue. For decades dog owners have used this grassy field to exercise their dogs Off-leash, which is set away from Garry Owen House. This field is of no heritage or environmental value. 6. Allow Off-leash access to the shady green path between Convalescent Cottages and the fig trees. This has long been a shady route taken by dog owners, enabling us to enjoy its tranquillity as we head for the Callan Point dog beach. 7. Extend time-share arrangements on Glover Street and Waterfront Sports fields by 5 metres to include the surrounding grassy ar	specify)
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73	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, I have lived in Rozelle and Balmain for over 25 years. Through out this time I have raised my family including 3 dogs (cavalier king Charles spaniels). Hence for over 25 years we have been enjoying Callan Park with our dogs and kids. A major plus for the park has been the ability to walk and play with our dogs and explore the park off leash. It would be such a shame to loose much of the loved space for our pooches. I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog owners will have easy access to these dog beaches. However, the plan does not include enough off-leash areas and does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request	Rozelle

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74	I am a ratepayer and live in the inner west and over the past 25 years have been walking the 2 dogs I have owned in that period off-leash in Callan Park. I am very grateful you have allocated the Callan Point Dog beach as off-leash as it is a grea amenity for both owners and companion animals. My dogs play and socialise at in the park and at Kirkbride Gardens. I am however concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off- leash areas that are already at bursting point. I ask you and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area	DULWICH HILL

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75	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, Callan Park is a vital part of my day where my wife and I currently walk our two dogs, mornings, lunchtime and in the afternoon seven days a week. Having moved from the UK six years ago, having my dogs off leash in this park has introduced us to a vast array of friends in the local community that we probably would not have met otherwise. There is something about your dog running free enjoying its surroundings making new friends, which they and in turn you, cannot do if they are tethered the whole time. It has helped with my mental health post the loss of a close family member and it keeps our dog's mental well-being in check too because they can run off any stresses they have. We put effort into our dogs so they are well trained, behaved and sociable and we don't wish to see them suffer losing their and our environment through poor decision making by creating problems in Callan Park where there have not been issues for the six years that we have lived in Rozelle, nor the 30 years plus we have been taught about by locals. The current CAMP is restrictive to the largest daily community user of the park. It is designed to draw outsiders into a park that do not currently use that space. Covid was the greatest example of this. People came to use any green space they could on their doorstep during restrictions, but when they could move more freely, the park was empty again. Leaving all their rubbish behind for the local dog	Rozelle

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	community to pick up the pieces as they always have. The surveys carried out were biased and data skewed during this period, whilst also not asking the true local community what they wanted.	
	Personally, whilst I understand compromise has to be found, it is not being found here as well as it could be. You have two good examples already under management with Centennial and Sydney Parks. There is far more off-leash space there by percentage than we are being given in Callan Park. Those parks run well. Why have you decided to reduce the usable space here by so much? Sports fields are time shared, but are used 7 days a week, derelict buildings are included in the space but we cannot use those. Other areas we are given are close to busy roads. The areas that are safe we will no longer be able to use because they are on-leash with Kirkbride Gardens being the most obvious one and a no-brainer. Dogs have not destroyed this area, that was done by bored children and families during lock-down. Dogs do not build tree-houses from Bamboo nor do they push 100kg stones from walls. They do not build bike ramps and tracks through native and sensitive bushland nor do they set fire to grassland with books. Too much of this happens but dogs and owners are being blamed not humans.	
	The planners really do need to look at who really uses this space carefully, considerately and will protect its environment well into the future. The dog community certainly knows the answer to that, but does GSP or will it just fall of deaf ears? Let's hope some common sense can rule and the requested 8 points below can be included in the second attempt at the CAMP for Callan Park as put by the local community;	
	I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog owners will have easy access to these dog beaches. My two dogs swim here multiple times a week all year round. It is key!	
	However, the plan does not include enough off-leash areas and does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments:	
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	8. Commit funds to a bindi treatment program in Off-leash areas. Most dogs simply cannot walk on bindis, making bindi-infested off-leash areas unusable for three months of the year.	
	Since the new year the park grass has also hardly been cut as often was by the IWC and is not being managed well. Is this because GSP are now responsible for the up keep? If this is the case and GSP now have full control of management then perhaps getting somebody in whilst we are in hot humid conditions would be paramount as it's already starting to smell of poor park management which doesn't bode well for the future.	
	Kind Regards	
76	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, My name is Example , I have been a long term (since 1996) resident and property owner in the City of Sydney/Inner west area of Camperdown. I have always had dogs and Callan park has been a favourite park for myself to meet with many friends and their dogs over the years to walk freely with our dogs. It is one of the only areas in the Inner West in the recent population boom of families moving to the	Camperdown

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	inner city areas that has remain available to us to go. The majority of the parks have become family parks with no dogs permitted or	
	restricted to after hours. I feel there are many many parks in Sydney Metropolitan where family	
	can go to enjoy outdoor activities, however there are very few outdoor space for dogs to enjoy doing what dogs natural want to do is roam	
	and sniff and stretch their legs. As there has been a surge in dog ownership Sydney and Australia wide in the past few years it seems to be going against what the population needs by taking away the	
	outdoor space for our dogs to enjoy.	
	Having said all that I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog	
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	Looking forward to a positive outcome for dogs & their owners. Regards	
77	To the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Lilyfield
	I have been walking my dogs at Callan Park off-leash for 19 years. I am extremely grateful to have this nature area for me and my dogs and I take nothing for granted. It has provided us with so much pleasure, a place to exercise and an impromptu meeting place with like-minded dog lovers where our dogs can romp and play together. However I am very concerned that the limitations placed on off-leash dog walkers will change this precious and valued parklands experience I have enjoyed for so long.	
	While I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed CAMP, by severely limited the off-leash areas the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs I believe will not be met. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
78	I am a local resident in Lilyfield and have lived in the Rozelle and Lilyfield area for over a decade. Part of my decision to stay in this area is the amazing off leash space Callan Park provides for my dog. As a couple that doesn't have children, our dog and being able to walk him off-leash every day, roaming through Callan Park has been a lifeline in these challenging times. It's given us both the space and freedom with our dog to be able to combat all manner of mental health struggles. the Joy we see in our dog roaming free through all the areas of Callan Park right now brings immeasurable happiness to both of us.	Lilyfield
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79	To the Greater Sydney Parklands, My dogs and I have spent many wonderful hours roaming through and exploring Callan Park - without any negative incidents, only positive interactions with other walkers. When my two dogs passed away a couple of years ago, I even scattered their ashes there - it was that special a place for us. I now enjoy it with my two new dogs. It is a rare and priceless place with space for all to enjoy freely - even dogs! I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog owners will have easy access to these dog beaches. However, the plan does not include enough off-leash areas and does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the	Burwood

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80	After moving to Rozelle last year and welcoming our new puppy Bandit shortly after, we quickly fell in love with Callan Park. We have taken Bandit here from the first day he could go out for walks and our love for the grounds continues to grow with every walk, off leash play with friends and swim at the beach. It is the perfect space for both dog and owner to enjoy together and socialise with others in the park.	Rozelle, 2039
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81	the off leash dog areas don't indicate how the park is currently & historically used. Plus NSW Planning the survey is skewed	Lilyfield
82	To Council, My name is and I have been a local resident in Lilyfield for 5 years. I have been a dog owner for only 10 months and Callan Park plays a really important part in mine and my dog, George's life. Everyday we visit the park (twicel) and enjoy a lot of off-leash walks. We love the variety of different areas we can visit and the options available, particularly now that local sport has increased significantly so the ovals are often occupied. We are respectful of other users of the park and I feel like the broader community and non-dog owners are welcoming of the current arrangements at the park. I am a member of the Callan Park Dog Lovers group and I welcome the off-leash zones in the proposed Companion Animal Management Plan (CAMP), especially the two Callan Point headland beaches. I would like your assurance that dog owners will have easy access to these dog beaches. However, the plan does not include enough off-leash areas and does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point. I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. Dogs do not do any damage here: they do not eat stone or bamboo. Any damage done in this area is by people. 2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade. This area can be t	Lilyfield

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	 garden which faces north-east and leads to the Kirkbride Precinct car park. 6. Allow Off-leash access to the shady green path between Convalescent Cottages and the fig trees. This has long been a shady route taken by dog owners, enabling us to enjoy its tranquillity as we head for the Callan Point dog beach. 7. Extend time-share arrangements on Glover Street and Waterfront Sports fields by 5 metres to include the surrounding grassy area, to be managed on the same timeshare arrangement as the sports fields. This enables dog owners to stray off the fields by 5 metres without the Govt rangers slapping a big fine on us. 8. Commit funds to a bindi treatment program in Off-leash areas. Most dogs simply cannot walk on bindis, making bindi-infested off-leash areas unusable for three months of the year. I would appreciate it if you considered the above items to ensure that 	<u>speeny</u>
83	the final plan addresses our concerns. To Minister Roberts, Minister Stokes, and the Greater Sydney Parklands,	Rozelle
	My name is and I have lived in Rozelle for 9 years. I live with my husband, two young children and our very lively 2 year old Springer Spaniel Ralph. I walk Ralph off leash all throughout Callan Park every single day. Ralph is a working line Springer and as such is very fast and very clever. He runs rings around me, while never actually venturing very far from me and remaining incredibly obedient. We feel so lucky to have the wonderful Callan Park on our doorstep, something that is unique to this area and somewhere we certainly do not take for granted. While every walk we do in Callan Park feels different, due to the vastness of the park, one thing that remains consistent throughout is the respectful way all dog walkers and their (mostly) off leash dogs are to one another. As a spaniel, Ralph loves the water so is very grateful that the Callan Point Dog beach has been allocated off-leash, however, I am extremely concerned about the proposed CAMP and request eight amendments. It does not meet the needs of our Inner West community with 40,000 dogs. Callan Park is the only large open space for off-leash dog walking – the other Inner West parks offer fragmented, small off-leash areas that are already at bursting point.	
	 I ask NSW Dept of Planning and the Greater Sydney Parklands to please make the following amendments: 1. Make Kirkbride Gardens Off-leash - except for the bush care area that leads down to King George Oval. Kirkbride Gardens is one of the primary meeting places for people and their dogs. It is where we all catch up over a coffee while our dogs play off-lead. It enables us to walk dogs off-leash when the Balmain Road sports field is occupied. A timeshare arrangement might work well here. For example, off-leash before 10am and after 5pm. 	
	2. Make Central Green fit for purpose by demolishing former wards/the pharmacy building/loading dock and other fenced-off and derelict buildings that cover much of Central Green. I ask you to commit to the	

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	removal of these buildings within a two-year period, and for trees to be planted to provide shade.	
	3. Add a second fenced off-leash area where the warehouse/loading dock lies derelict (B201-3) which is a flat area. People enter the park from many different suburbs and a second off-leash, fenced area in Central Green will ensure all dog owners have access to these areas for puppies, nervous and unsociable dogs.	
	4. Give assurance that Wharf Road Gardens will continue Off-leash once the Amphitheatre and pond/water recycling is built. Or is your plan to take this off-leash area away from us in future?	
	5. Extend the small, nominated area of off-leash at Writing NSW to include the field that runs down to Central Avenue. For decades dog owners have used this grassy field to exercise their dogs Off-leash, which is set away from Garry Owen House. This field is of no heritage or environmental value.	
	6. Allow Off-leash access to the shady green path between Convalescent Cottages and the fig trees. This has long been a shady route taken by dog owners, enabling us to enjoy its tranquillity as we head for the Callan Point dog beach.	
	7. Extend time-share arrangements on Glover Street and Waterfront Sports fields by 5 metres to include the surrounding grassy area, to be managed on the same timeshare arrangement as the sports fields. This enables dog owners to stray off the fields by 5 metres without the Govt rangers slapping a big fine on us.	
	8. Commit funds to a bindi treatment program in Off-leash areas. Most dogs simply cannot walk on bindis, making bindi-infested off-leash areas unusable for three months of the year.	