

# Western Sydney Planning & Development

## What is the Western City District?

Western City District Plan, prepared by the Greater Sydney Commission (now the Greater Cities Commission) is the 20-year plan to manage growth in the Western City District. The Western Parkland City is the primary focus of the Western City District.

## What is the Western Parkland City?

The Western Parkland City is the emerging 'third city' of Sydney, centered around the new Western Sydney Airport, or 'aerotropolis'.

The population of the Western Parkland City is predicted to grow from 740,000 in 2016 to 1.1 million by 2036. It will be home to 184,000 new homes.

The Western Sydney Parkland Authority (WSPA) is the government agency responsible for delivering, coordinating and attracting investment to the Western Parkland City.

## IN A NUTSHELL

Western Sydney is in the midst of unprecedented growth, driven by the new 'aerotropolis' and infrastructure investment.

It covers eight local councils, including: **Penrith, Fairfield, Liverpool, Campbelltown, Camden, Wollondilly, Blue Mountains and Hawkesbury.**

Around **184,500 new homes** will be delivered in Western Sydney by 2036. However, there are currently no appropriate affordable housing schemes in place or commitments to social housing. This is especially important as increased investment will likely increase house prices and rents, and this area has historically been a more affordable option for lower-income and family households.

## What is the 'Aerotropolis'?

The Western Sydney Aerotropolis is a 11,200 hectare site surrounding the new Western Sydney Airport that will be a major economic hub.

The Aerotropolis Planning Package was finalised March 2022, allowing development to begin. The first planning package will deliver 11,400 new homes.

### ▶ What plans are there for the South West?

There are several plans in place for development in South West Sydney. You can register for updates to stay in the loop.

Areas that are currently being developed include: Oran Park, Turner Road, Leppington, East Leppington, Austral, Leppington North, Edmondson Park, Catherine Field, Glenfield, South Creek West and Lowes Creek Maryland.

### ▶ What plans are there for the North West?

There are also several plans in the North West Sydney at various stages of planning.

Areas that have been rezoned include: Alex Avenue, Box Hill, Colebee, Marsden Park, North Kellyville, Riverstone, Riverstone East, Riverstone West, Schofields, Tallawong Station, Townson Road and Vineyard. Planning is also underway for: Marsden Park North, Schofields Town Centre and West Schofields.

### ▶ What plans are there for affordable and social housing?

There has been very little real commitment to social and affordable housing in Western Sydney.

Currently, none of the eight councils that make up Western Sydney have affordable housing plans in place.

### ▶ What submissions have Shelter NSW made so far?

Shelter NSW have made submissions on the Aerotropolis Planning Package, the Draft Western Parkland City Blueprint, and the Initial Place-based Infrastructure Compact for the Western Parkland City.

These submissions are available on our website.

Our submissions challenge and question why they both exclude meaningful action to house people on ordinary incomes who are expected to live and work there.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO?

**Ask the questions** to your local council, councillors and candidates that are relevant to your area, for example:

*“What is Council’s commitment to Affordable Housing?”*

*“When will an Affordable Housing Scheme be developed and applied?”*

**Keep informed** by registering for planning updates and checking for development applications in Western Sydney and write submissions to demand more social and affordable housing.

**Support your council** in housing advocacy to the state government.

***Want to know more? Get in touch with us at [admin@sheltersnsw.org.au](mailto:admin@sheltersnsw.org.au)***

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North West

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Liverpool LGA

Bradfield

Liverpool

Camden LGA

South West

Wollondilly LGA

Western  
Parkland City

Campbelltown

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City District

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