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Draft Hill Road Master Plan

Wentworth Point



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Hill Road is the spine of Wentworth Point, linking people and residential areas with transport and recreational amenities. It is critical to ensure Hill Road is multifunctional and able to adapt to future needs.

Why do we need a Master Plan?

The suburb of Wentworth Point has grown and changed significantly in recent years. Hill Road is a vital piece of infrastructure for this area and needs to be upgraded to meet the needs of the local community.

A Master Plan for Hill Road is essential to drive future improvements, which have been informed through consultation with the community and key stakeholders of Wentworth Point. The aim of the Master Plan is to increase safety for both pedestrians and vehicles, create a greener, more shaded roadway, manage flooding and drainage, and support future growth in Wentworth Point and surrounding areas.

What does the Master Plan aim to achieve?

The Hill Road Master Plan aims to transform Hill Road into a safe, enjoyable and accessible place for everyone.

The Master Plan focuses on making Hill Road more environmentally sustainable, contributing to a liveable and resilient precinct.

The Master Plan will ensure that Hill Road provides better experiences where pedestrians, cyclists and drivers feel safe and welcome; whilst becoming a street that is characterised by trees and generous pedestrian space with a design that balances the various transport modes.

What does the Draft Master Plan propose?

The draft Master Plan includes six key design actions to deliver improvements to Hill Road:



1. Transform Hill Road into a **vibrant and identifiable** boulevard street;



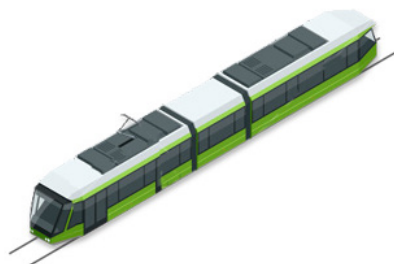
2. Maximise **public domain** area for community space and activation;



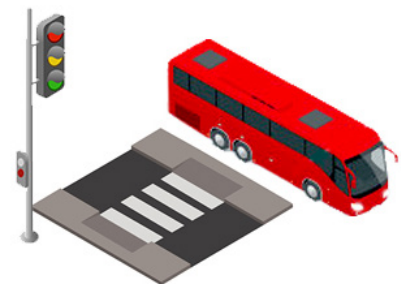
3. Improve Hill Road to be **safer** for pedestrians, cyclists and drivers;



4. Promote **environmental**, green infrastructure and sustainability initiatives;



5. Design for existing and future **public transport integration** to enhance connectivity to other modes of transport;



6. Improved **pedestrian connections** and active transport links.

Project Timeline

The Master Plan will drive future improvements and will seek to utilise funds as they become available. Council will stage the works in a way that will allow each component to work in synergy with the rest of the system e.g. drainage, streetscape improvements, tree planting etc.

Council has staged the works (see below) due to minimise disruption to residents and commuters, and to make use of appropriate budget as it becomes available.

2017

- Business Case - *complete*
- Community consultation - *complete*

2018

- Site investigations – *complete (and ongoing)*

2019

- Analysis of investigations and community input

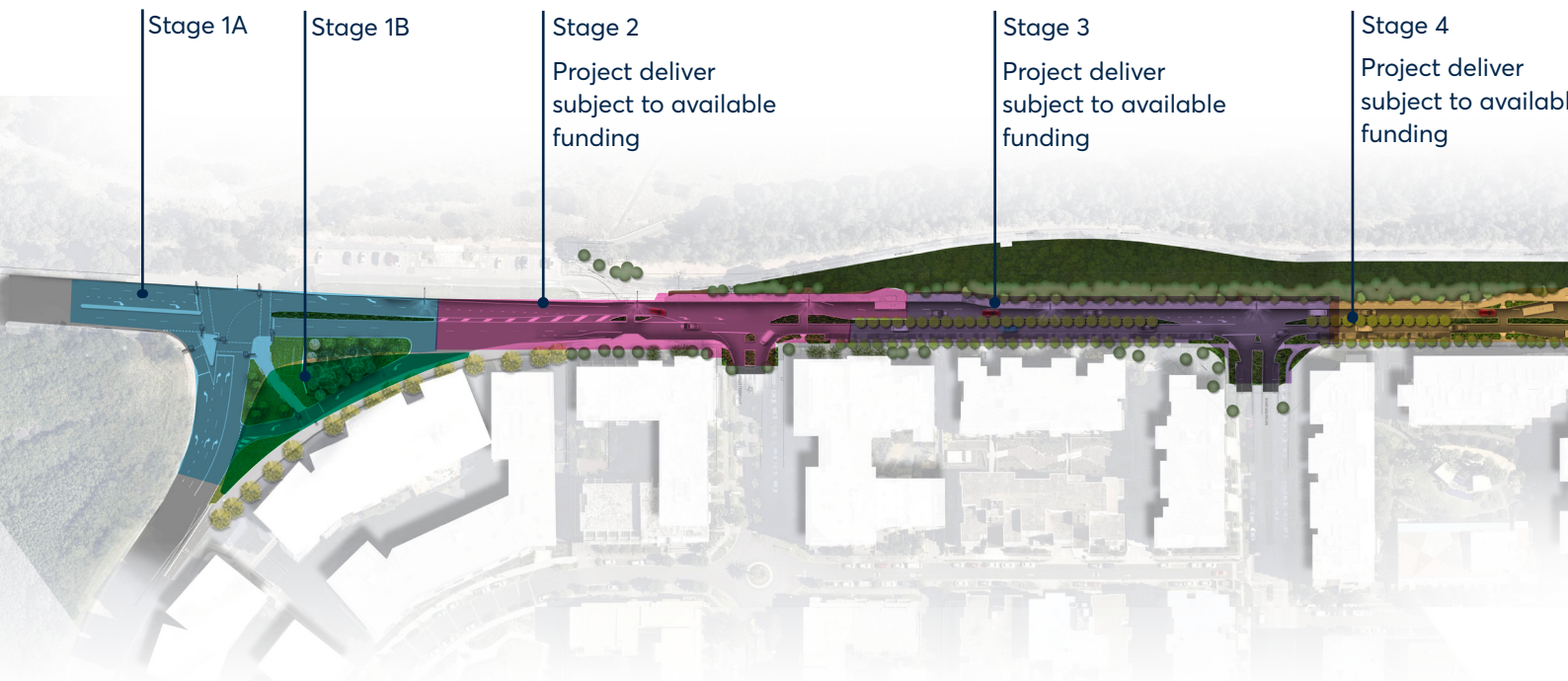
2020

- Development of draft Hill Road Master Plan

2021

- March** - Formal exhibition of draft Master Plan
- April** - Analysis of feedback
- June** - Submission of final Master Plan and reports to Council for endorsement

Stage 1



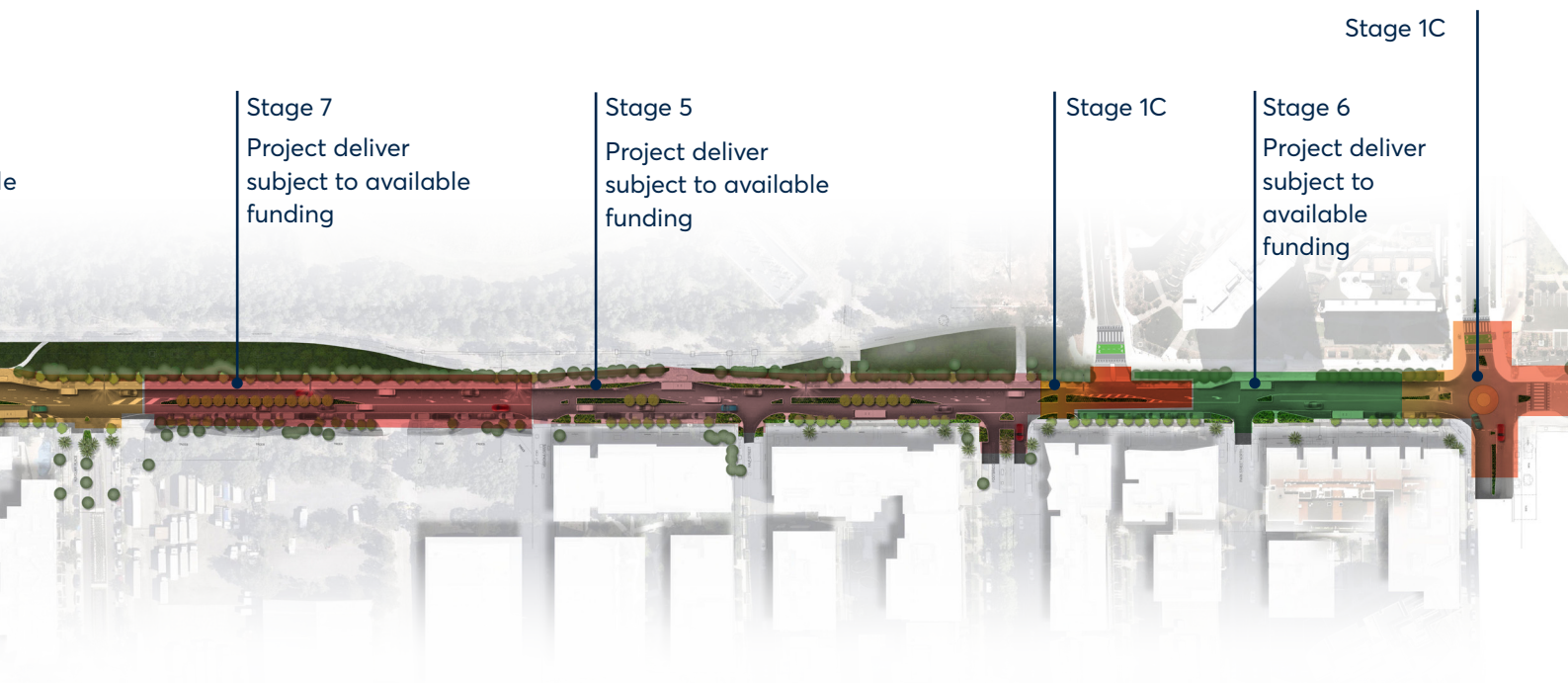
Proposed Sequence of Staging

The works are proposed to be undertaken in several stages (as shown via the diagram below). Stage 1 works are considered a priority and aim to address and improve safety concerns.

Note: all stages are subject to funding and the logical sequence of executing construction works. Priorities may shift to respond to future opportunities.

Stage 1

- A** – Traffic signalled intersection of Hill Road and Bennelong Parkway (high priority)
- B** – Anticipated embellishment of the adjoining pocket park
- C** – Proposed Burroway Road roundabout and new road (to be delivered by developer by mid 2021)



Key Design Points

1. Provide a street layout that reclaims under utilised road space, ensuring traffic and parking lane widths are adequate for vehicle movements;
2. Provide safer crossing points for pedestrians and cyclists linking parklands and bus stops;
3. Provide drainage improvements to alleviate flooding;
4. Maximise the available road corridor by integrating a separated cycleway on the western side of Hill Road;
5. Provide a planted median within the un-used road space to promote water sensitive urban design measures, sustainability, tree planting and stormwater treatment before runoff water enters the Parramatta River;
6. Plant trees for improved amenity, shade and street identity;
7. Provide widened pedestrian pavement areas to create generous public domain space;
8. Provide an allocation of space for the intended light rail corridor;
9. Reduce vehicle speeds and make Hill Road safer and more inviting by providing more crossing points, trees and narrower traffic lane widths;
10. Retain on-street parking numbers and formalise to prevent illegal parking.



Planning for the Future

Advocating for Light Rail

Light Rail, together with other bus, ferry and heavy rail networks, can provide a reliable and modern transport system to help reduce the reliance on private vehicle use and help free up limited street parking and reduce traffic congestion.

At the time of compiling this report, the NSW Government announced it has declined to pursue the Parramatta Light Rail 'Stage 2' project. Council will continue to advocate and plan for a light rail route along Hill Road

Heat Mitigation

This Master Plan proposes planted median islands within the un-used road space to promote water sensitive urban design measures, with substantial canopy cover from the mature tree planting. The shade provided by these trees will work to reduce the temperatures currently experienced along this road.

Flood Mitigation

Hill Road is significantly flat with minimal fall to existing drainage pits and infrastructure. Several flood mitigation measures can be applied to reduce the impacts of flooding over Hill Road.

The suggested measures are subject to the site conditions, constraints, and further detailed design. These measures will help to reduce the frequency of flood events that impact Hill Road and the Wentworth Point community.



Have your say and find out more

Council is now inviting feedback on the draft Hill Road Master Plan. Written submissions can be made during the exhibition period via email, online or by post:

Email

placeservices@cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au
Subject line: Draft Hill Road Master Plan Submission

Online

participate.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/hillroadmasterplan

Post

City of Parramatta Council
Attention: Place Services
Subject: Draft Hill Road Master Plan Submission
PO Box 32, Parramatta NSW 2124

For the submission closing date and more information please visit participate.cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/hillroadmasterplan or call (02) 9806 5050.

