

What did we hear when we consulted you in late 2013?

WHAT?

COMMUNITY DROP IN SESSION

WHEN?

21 November 2013

WHO?

General community, promoted through ads in local media, newsletter drop to 3,000 homes, Facebook pages of community groups, invitations from local State and Federal MPs

HOW MANY?

One three hour session, attended by 120 participants, 55 feedback forms completed

KEY OUTCOMES

- » Importance of protecting heritage buildings, views and areas strongly and frequently emphasised
- » Strong support for arts and cultural uses in Old King's School, e.g. regional art gallery, artist studios
- » Support retaining Parramatta Park at current size as the 'lungs of Parramatta', with improvements to visitor facilities
- » Support for tourism and education uses in Cumberland Precinct, including in Parramatta Gaol and Parramatta Park
- » Support for improving walking and cycling tracks
- » Mixed views on potential expansion of Parramatta Stadium
- » Concern for protection of Dodds Farm site
- » Some support for continuation of mental health uses and concern for potential transition for existing patients



ONLINE FEEDBACK FORM

WHEN?

22 November 2013

WHO?

General community, through UrbanGrowth website

HOW MANY?

20 uses of the website including 15 people who used the 'contact us' form

WHAT?

STAKEHOLDER CHARRETTES

WHEN?

15 + 22 November 2013

WHO?

Invited representatives of Government agencies, and community and business groups

Info packs sent to participants in advance

HOW MANY?

Two charrettes, of six and two hours, attended by 44 and 42 people

KEY OUTCOMES

- » Importance of protecting heritage buildings, views and areas, and telling social history of area strongly emphasised
- » Opportunity for world class heritage tourism
- » Strong support for focus on Parramatta River and its activation and access
- » Connections to CBD and Westmead seen as crucial, including walking, cycling and a possible future public transport corridor
- » General support for focusing development to the north of Cumberland Precinct
- » Support for arts and cultural uses within the Parramatta North Urban Renewal
- » Activation of project area also supported through cafes, community buildings, museums and events
- » Support to maintain Parramatta Park largely for passive recreation, with some events and better visitor facilities
- » Support for pocket parks in any higher density development
- » Strong desire to be consulted on detail as project progresses

WHAT?

INDUSTRY FORUM

WHEN?

11 December 2013

WHO?

Development industry, promoted via ads in Financial Review, invitations through UDIA, Property Council and Urban Taskforce

HOW MANY?

One forum attended by 19 participants

KEY OUTCOMES

- » Strong support for UrbanGrowth NSW to de-risk land and provide planning certainty before releasing development land to the market
- » Strong interest in project area and potential opportunities to create a distinctive mixed use village adjacent to the CBD
- » Recognition that the project area's heritage, river front and open space are key and unique assets
- » Strong support for UrbanGrowth NSW or other agency as the single project lead
- » Strong support for establishing a clear hierarchy of heritage significance and carefully considering the feasibility of restoring a very large number of heritage buildings
- » Support for creation of staged 'super lots' with infrastructure provided in advance
- » Agreement that significant level of activation required to ensure sustainability of heritage assets