



Draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan

Frequently Asked Questions

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Transport for NSW acknowledges the Gadi and Wangal people of the Eora Nation as the Traditional Custodians of the lands and waters of Ultimo and Pirrama, the Pyrmont Peninsula, and pay respects to Elders past and present.

This information has been developed to provide more detail about the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan, and to provide answers to frequently asked questions from stakeholders and the community.

About the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan

1. What is the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan?

The draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan provides a clear action plan for how Transport for NSW will work together with the City of Sydney and other NSW Government agencies over the next 20 years to meet the future transport needs of the Pyrmont and Ultimo communities.

The draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan outlines 55 transport initiatives to be investigated and considered over short, medium to long-term and 'Life of Plan' timeframes to make it easier for locals and visitors to get to, move around and enjoy all that the Pyrmont-Ultimo precinct has to offer.

These initiatives will inform future investment priorities, with a strong focus on improved travel outcomes and mode choice, and embedding Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people's culture and narrative into the design of the built environment.

2. Why is it needed?

The NSW Government's Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy and sub-precinct masterplans established a framework for changes in land use and major investment in transport, infrastructure and place on the Pyrmont Peninsula to deliver a 20-year vision to support the proposed uplift of almost 15,000 jobs and 7,800 residents by 2041.

The opening of the Sydney Metro West Pyrmont Station by 2030 (subject to the outcomes of the Sydney Metro West independent review) will change how people travel to and from the Pyrmont-Ultimo precinct.

The draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan has been developed in response to these changes and the need to plan for the provision of attractive and efficient public and active transport options that will support sustainable, connected, safe and productive communities in the future.

More detailed information about the context of the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan can be found in Section 2 of the draft Plan.



3. What does the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan aim to achieve?

Together the initiatives included in the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan will provide a sustainable, multi-modal and safe transport network for all people and communities.

The initiatives are grouped around three main objectives:

- **Encourage more use of sustainable transport modes** by providing better walking, cycling and public transport connections.
- **Balance movement and place on key corridors** by investigating opportunities to reallocate road space and increase local amenity for residents, workers and visitors.
- **Support connectivity to the future Sydney Metro West Pyrmont Station** by providing safe, convenient and attractive pedestrian connections and integrated public transport options.

4. How has the Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan been developed?

Transport for NSW has developed the draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan collaboratively with key internal and external stakeholders using the NSW Government Movement and Place Framework.

A series of workshops were held with the City of Sydney Council, Department of Planning and Environment, Government Architect NSW and Greater Cities Commission. These workshops focused on reviewing the vision and objectives of the Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy, understanding the needs of movement and place on the peninsula, and investigating and prioritising potential actions and initiatives (including those identified in the PPPS).

A number of individual briefings with these stakeholder and consultation with Infrastructure NSW and Create NSW (Powerhouse Ultimo) were also held during development of the draft Plan. We have also undertaken broad engagement with the local community, stakeholders and are committed to future consultation to refine and seek feedback on the draft Plan.

5. What is Movement and Place?

Movement and Place aims to achieve a well-designed built environment through a multi-disciplinary, place-based approach to the planning, design, delivery and operation of transport networks. It recognises and seeks to optimise the network of public spaces formed by roads and streets and the spaces they adjoin and impact.

The objectives of Movement and Place are to achieve roads and streets that:

- contribute to the network of public space within a location, where people can live healthy, productive lives, meet each other, interact, and go about their daily activities
- are enhanced by transport and have the appropriate space allocation to move people and goods safely and efficiently, and connect places together.

For more information about Movement and Place, and the Movement and Place Framework visit movementandplace.nsw.gov.au

6. What is the NSW Government Movement and Place Framework?

The NSW Government Movement and Place Framework helps agencies work together to plan for and deliver a shared vision for the efficient movement of people and goods integrated with amenity and quality of places.

The Movement and Place Framework recognises that trade-offs may be required to achieve the most appropriate fit for outcomes. It is designed to ensure these trade-offs are considered in the context of informed conversations and collaboration with multiple disciplines and stakeholders.

For more information about Movement and Place, and the Movement and Place Framework visit movementandplace.nsw.gov.au

Next steps and more information

7. What are the next steps?

We expect the Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan will be finalised by the end of 2023, taking into consideration a range of community and local stakeholder feedback received during consultation.

Once the Plan has been finalised, initiatives and actions contained in the Plan will require further investigation and consultation before any investment decisions and relevant approvals. This may include progressing the confirmed initiatives in a staged approach in line with NSW government funding and investment priorities.

The initiatives have been categorised into short, medium to long-term and Life of Plan timeframes to complement improvements to urban amenity across the peninsula through other NSW Government programs.

We will continue to keep community members and stakeholders informed as planning and initiatives progress.

8. Where can I find out more information about the Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan?

For further information or to subscribe for email updates, please visit our [interactive map](#).

You can also contact the project team on **1800 684 490** or pyrmontpeninsula@transport.nsw.gov.au

9. What is the vision for the Pyrmont Peninsula?

The Department of Planning and Environment released the PPPS in 2020. The PPPS includes a place-focused vision for the future of the Pyrmont-Ultimo precinct and supports the delivery of development that is of place, employment, creative and cultural significance.

“In 2041, the Pyrmont Peninsula will be an innovative, creative and cultural precinct and an engine room of the Eastern Harbour CBD. It will connect to the Innovation Corridor and other innovation and job precincts via Sydney Metro and complement the Sydney CBD.”

The draft Pyrmont-Ultimo Transport Plan builds upon the work led by the NSW Department of Planning and Environment in the development of the PPPS to support the significant uplift in population and employment, and leverage opportunities created by committed and planned transport and place investment in the precinct.

For more information about the Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy, visit the [Planning Portal](#) or email Pyrmont.Peninsula@planning.nsw.gov.au

Other projects on the Pyrmont Peninsula

10. What work is planned to refurbish the Glebe Island Bridge?

Transport for NSW is continuing to investigate options for the future of Glebe Island Bridge, including ongoing maintenance and options for refurbishment and repurposing.

We will inform the community in advance of any maintenance work and will also inform you of opportunities to provide feedback on the future use of the bridge as this project progresses.

11. Has the Sydney Metro Independent Review been completed?

The NSW Government has received the Interim Report for its comprehensive and independent review into the Sydney Metro project, the Sydney Metro Review.

The next phase of the review will assess the value for money of the existing Sydney Metro West scope and how to maximise positive outcomes for the community in its delivery. Final findings and recommendations will be tabled by end of 2023 for consideration by Cabinet.

We will keep the community informed as further updates become available. For more information about the Sydney Metro Independent Review, visit our [website](#).

12. What is the status of the Western Distributor Road Network Improvements project?

The Western Distributor Road Network Improvements project will improve safety and efficiency at key traffic bottlenecks, or pinch points on the Western Distributor and reduce the flow on effect of incidents on surrounding roads.

Construction is expected to start later this year and take around two years to complete.

The team are currently inviting feedback on the proposed relocation of the northbound bus stop on Harris Street, near Allen Street.

For more information, visit the [consultation website](#) or contact the team at westerndistributor@transport.nsw.gov.au

13. Why is Transport continuing with other projects that prioritise cars and contradict active transport plans, including Pyrmont Peninsula Place Strategy?

Transport appreciates that the community strongly supports a reduction of cars on local roads and a mode shift to more space-efficient and sustainable transport modes including public transport, walking and cycling.

Safety for motorists is a critical challenge for Transport. Sydney continues to grow and as a result, major transport corridors will need upgrades to meet this growth and road user demand. Road corridor upgrades improve network performance. Other investments such as improving bus trip reliability support mode shift, making it easier for residents and commuters to get in and out of the area.

Transport is committed to encouraging long-term mode shift to more public and active transport projects, and will work with communities to understand the long-term requirements for transport that best serves this aim and the needs of communities.

14. What other Transport projects are happening in the area?

Transport has established a place-based web portal as a central hub for information about transport projects in the Inner West, Pyrmont Peninsula and Bays West areas. You can easily navigate to each project site to find more information such as details of project status, project timelines, upcoming activities, contact details for the project team and copies of relevant notifications, newsletters, maps and plans.

To find out more about what's happening in the area, visit our [Inner West Portal](#).

Other nearby projects

Find out more NSW Government plans and projects in the area.

Bays West Place Strategy

Online: planning.nsw.gov.au/plans-for-your-area/state-significant-precincts/the-bays/bays-west

Email: bayswest@dpie.nsw.gov.au

Blackwattle Bay

Online: blackwattlebay.insw.com

Email: blackwattle.bay@infrastructure.nsw.gov.au

New Sydney Fish Market

Online: newsydneyfishmarket.insw.com

Email: nsfm.community@multiplex.global

Sydney Metro West

Online: sydneymetro.info/west/project-overview

Email: sydneymetro@transport.nsw.gov.au