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# Appendix C – Consistency with relevant strategic and statutory plans and policies

An assessment against relevant strategic plans and environmental planning instruments has been undertaken to satisfy Study Requirement 1.2 of the Cherrybrook Station SSP Study Requirements. This assessment has considered the consistency of the proposed planning framework with the following plans and policies:

- The Greater Sydney Region Plan A Metropolis of Three Cities (Greater Sydney Commission, 2018)
- The North District Plan (Greater Sydney Commission, 2018)
- The Hornsby Local Strategic Planning Statement (Hornsby Shire Council, 2019)
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Central River City) 2021
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021
- State Environmental Planning Policy No 65—Design Quality of Residential Apartment Development
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021
- State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021.
- · Hornsby Local Environmental Plan 2013.

### 1.1 Greater Sydney Region Plan

The following table provides an assessment of the proposal's consistency with the relevant objectives of the Greater Sydney Region Plan.

Table 1: Consistency with Greater Sydney Region Plan Planning Directions

Greater Sydney Region Plan Objectives	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Objective 1: Infrastructure aligns with forecast growth – growth infrastructure compact	Cherrybrook Station is a key driver for the renewal of Cherrybrook Station SSP. Sydney Metro Northwest is a city-shaping transport infrastructure project that creates new opportunities for integrated station precincts that deliver new homes, jobs, amenities and services in a highly accessible and high amenity location.  Renewal of Cherrybrook Station SSP will deliver approximately 390 dwellings, with 5% being for the purposes of affordable housing. This new housing will leverage off the new station to provide growth aligned with the provision of city-shaping infrastructure.	Yes

Greater Sydney Region Plan Objectives	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Objective 4: Infrastructure use is optimised	The proposed amendments to the planning framework will support the provision of new homes and services in proximity to Cherrybrook Station, encouraging the use of public and active transport. Through implementation of best practice design and a site-specific design guide, active and public transport will be encouraged through the provision of appropriate pedestrian and cycling infrastructure for any future developments at Cherrybrook Station SSP, contributing to the optimisation of infrastructure.	Yes
Objective 5: Benefits of growth realised by collaboration of governments, community and business	The Reference Scheme prepared by SJB and Aspect Studios (refer <b>Appendix D</b> ) and proposed planning framework of the SSP Study is the result of extensive collaboration between stakeholders and the community. This included both targeted and opt-in consultation activities for the general Cherrybrook community, Aboriginal community representatives including Aboriginal Land Councils and Government stakeholders at both State and local level. In addition, there has been ongoing communication about the consultation process through the project webpage, electronic direct mail, local community group emails, social media and letter box drop.  Furthermore, a Project Working Group (PWG) was set up to establish a collaborative working arrangement between DPE, Hornsby Shire Council, The Hills Shire Council and TfNSW to guide the planning investigations for the Cherrybrook Station SSP. The role of the PWG is guided by a terms of reference, issued by DPE. As part of their role, the PWG has reviewed and provided comments on materials submitted by Landcom, including deliverables for key stages of the SSP process.  A Community Consultation Outcomes Report has been prepared by Landcom to present the consultation process undertaken for the proposal (refer to <b>Appendix U</b> ). This process considers the preferences, views and aspirations of local residents, businesses and community groups for the future Cherrybrook SSP which has been an important factor in shaping the work that has contributed to the Reference Scheme and proposed amendments to the	Yes
Objective 6: Services and infrastructure meet communities' changing needs	planning framework, as part of this SSP Study.  A Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> ) identified a need for one multi-purpose community facility and a park of a minimum 3,000sqm. The multi-purpose community facility will mostly cater to demand generated by the development of the broader Cherrybrook Station Precinct.  The proposed planning framework responds to these identified needs and requires a minimum of 3,000 sqm of publicly accessible open space, and 1,300 sqm of community floor space, which forms part of the Reference Scheme. In addition, the northern portion of the Cherrybrook Station SSP is proposed to be zoned as RE1 Public Recreation, and is intended to deliver an approximately 8,450sqm Environmental Space, which will support a stormwater detention function while enabling opportunities for passive recreation.	Yes

Greater Sydney Region Plan Objectives	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Objective 7: Communities are healthy, resilient and socially connected	Future development in accordance with the proposed planning framework will deliver 5% of total dwellings delivered as affordable housing, along with employment generating uses and community services. Combined with significant amount of open	Yes
Objective 8: Greater Sydney's communities are culturally rich with diverse neighbourhoods	space, an active transport network and access to the new metro station, Cherrybrook Station SSP will be a healthy, resilient and socially connected diverse community.  The proposal will also support the daily needs of residents and visitors with greater access to fresh food, retail and services (i.e. supermarkets, cafes, restaurants, and community services) within walking distance.	Yes
Objective 10: Greater housing supply	The area surrounding the Cherrybrook SSP contains mostly low density residential housing typologies, which lacks diversity and	Yes
Objective 11: Housing is more diverse and affordable	provides little housing choice for future residents. The proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has the potential to deliver approximately 390 new dwellings in the form of medium-high density apartment units. Of these dwellings, 5% will be affordable housing. Overall, this will directly generate more housing supply and provide diverse and affordable dwellings that will give effect to these objectives.	Yes
Objective 12: Great places that bring people together	In designing the Cherrybrook Station SSP and developing its future planning framework, the needs of the existing and future community have been built into the planning controls, including: <ul> <li>appropriate zoning and site-specific provisions to preserve recreational areas such as the proposed Environmental Space and Community Open Space</li> </ul>	Yes
	height limits that minimise adverse environmental impacts,	
	<ul> <li>requirements to provide sufficient levels of urban tree canopy and pedestrian/cyclist infrastructure</li> </ul>	
	minimum floorspace requirements for a community facility contained within the draft design guide	
	requirements for retail uses to edge the Community Open Space.	
	Together, the proposed higher density housing caters to a range of households, along with retail and community land uses, all provided in proximity to Cherrybrook Station will contribute toward making Cherrybrook Precinct a great place.	
Objective 13: Environmental heritage is identified, conserved and enhanced	This SSP Study is accompanied by a Heritage Impact Statement (Appendix I) that confirms the outcomes based on the proposed Reference Scheme will have an acceptable response to environmental heritage subject to a range of recommended measures being adopted. These recommended measures have been translated into measures in the draft design guide prepared for Cherrybrook Station SSP (refer to Appendix B)	Yes

Greater Sydney Region Plan Objectives	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Objective 14: A Metropolis of Three Cities – integrated land use and transport creates walkable and 30- minute cities	Cherrybrook Station is a catalyst for new development and rezoning in the area, in particular for Cherrybrook Station SSP which bounds the station. The proposed planning framework will allow for private market and affordable housing, as well as employment and community services to be located in proximity to a metro station with connections to the rest of Sydney, including key employment centres, such as Norwest and Macquarie Park.  Furthermore, the draft design guide proposes measures which	Yes
	promote walking, cycling and public transport use, with the proposed delivery of bicycle parking stands in the public domain and more restrictive car parking rates reflecting its position around a metro station.	
Objective 15: The Eastern, GPOP and Western Economic Corridors are better connected and more competitive	Cherrybrook Station SSP will provide housing with excellent access to employment centres, including Norwest and strategic centres along the Eastern Economic Corridor via the Sydney Metro. This will provide direct connections for workers who will live in Cherrybrook Station SSP to their place of work. By providing approximately 390 dwellings, more people have access	Yes
Objective 18: Harbour CBD is stronger and more competitive	to the strategic centres along the Eastern Economic Corridor, strengthening their role and competitiveness in the global economy.	Yes
Objective 30: Urban tree canopy cover is increased	A tree canopy target of 25% for the private domain and 30% for the public domain (subject to a bushfire risk assessment) has been adopted by the draft design guide (refer to <b>Appendix B</b> ), representing an increase in tree canopy for the Cherrybrook Station SSP from 10%. This will support Objective 30 to increase urban tree canopy cover and is aligned with the draft Greener Places Design Guide's indicative place-based target of >25% for tree canopy cover in medium to high density environments.	Yes
Objective 31: Public open space is accessible, protected and enhanced	The proposed planning framework requires the Cherrybrook Station SSP to deliver over 1 hectare of new public open space which includes approximately 8,450 sqm Environmental Space and a minimum 3,000sqm of community open space, creating an open space corridor between Cherrybrook Station with the Blue Gum High Forest. The proposed design guide requires open space to be accessible and protect and enhance the Environmental Space area which contains the existing Blue Gum High Forest and the stormwater detention basin. This will function to support the recreational needs of the future population of the Cherrybrook Station SSP and broader community.	Yes

the private domain (25%) minimum.

#### 1.2 **North District Plan**

The following table provides an assessment of the proposal's consistency with the relevant planning priorities for the North District.

**Table 2: Consistency with North District Plan Planning Priorities** 

Planning Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Planning Priority N1. Planning for a city supported by infrastructure	The Cherrybrook Station is a key driver for the renewal of Cherrybrook Station SSP. Sydney Metro Northwest is a city-shaping transport infrastructure project that creates new opportunities for integrated station precincts that deliver new homes, jobs, amenities and services in a highly accessible and high amenity location.  Renewal of Cherrybrook Station SSP will deliver approximately 390	Yes
-	dwellings, with 5% being for the purposes of affordable housing. This new housing will leverage off the new station to provide growth aligned with the provision of city-shaping infrastructure.	
Priority N2. Working through collaboration	The Reference Scheme prepared by SJB and Aspect Studios (refer <b>Appendix D</b> ) and proposed planning framework of the SSP Study is the result of extensive collaboration between stakeholders and the community. This included both targeted and opt-in consultation activities for the general Cherrybrook community, Aboriginal community representatives including Aboriginal Land Councils and Government stakeholders at both State and local level. Targeted activities included approaching a range of stakeholder groups, community census-representative research and the recruitment of a community census-representative group to provide feedback on the proposal. In addition, there has been ongoing communication about the consultation process through the project webpage, electronic direct mail, local community group emails, social media and letter box drop.	Yes
	Furthermore, a Project Working Group (PWG) was set up to establish a collaborative working arrangement between DPE, Hornsby Shire Council, The Hills Shire Council and TfNSW to guide the planning investigations for the Cherrybrook Station SSP. The role of the PWG is guided by a terms of reference, issued by DPE. As part of their role, the PWG has reviewed and provided comments on materials submitted by Landcom, including deliverables for key stages of the SSP process.	
	A Community Consultation Outcomes Report has been prepared by Landcom to present the consultation process undertaken for the proposal (refer to <b>Appendix U</b> ). This process considers the preferences, views and aspirations of local residents, businesses and community groups for the future Cherrybrook SSP which has been an important factor in shaping the work that has contributed to the Reference scheme and proposed amendments to the planning framework, as part of this SSP Study.	

Planning Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Planning Priority N3. Providing services and social infrastructure to meet people's changing needs	A Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> ) identified a need for one multi-purpose community facility and a park of a minimum 0.3ha. The Reference Scheme and proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has been designed in response to this identified need and will provide over 3,000 sqm of publicly accessible open space and 1,300 sqm of GFA for the purposes of community floor space.  In addition, an Environmental Space of approximately 8,450 sqm will be delivered on the north portion of the Cherrybrook Station SSP, which will support a stormwater detention function while enabling opportunities for passive recreation. See also previous comments	Yes
Planning Priority N4. Fostering healthy, creative, culturally rich and socially connected communities	relating to infrastructure for communities in Objective 6 in Section 1.1.  Future development in accordance with the proposed planning framework will deliver 5% of total dwellings delivered as affordable housing, along with employment generating uses and community services. Combined with significant amount of open space, an active transport network and access to the new metro station, Cherrybrook Station SSP will be a healthy, resilient and socially connected diverse community.	Yes
Planning Priority N5. Providing housing supply, choice and affordability, with access to jobs, services and public transport	The proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has the potential to deliver approximately 390 new dwellings. Of these dwellings, 5% will be affordable housing. This will allow for private market and affordable housing, as well as employment and community services to be located directly adjacent to a metro station with connections to the rest of Sydney, including key employment centres, such as Norwest and Macquarie Park.	Yes
Planning Priority N6. Creating and renewing great places and local centres, and respecting the District's heritage	<ul> <li>In designing the Reference Scheme for Cherrybrook Station SSP, the needs of the existing and future community have been built into the planning controls, including:</li> <li>appropriate zoning and site-specific provisions to preserve recreational areas such as the proposed Environmental Space and Community Open Space;</li> <li>height limits that minimise adverse environmental impacts;</li> <li>requirements to provide sufficient levels of urban tree canopy and pedestrian/cyclist infrastructure.</li> <li>Furthermore, the proposed higher density housing catering to a range of households, along with retail and community land uses, all provided in proximity to Cherrybrook Station, will bring people together.</li> <li>Together these holistic considerations of the planning and design process will contribute toward making Cherrybrook Precinct a great place.</li> </ul>	Yes
Planning Priority N8. Eastern Economic Corridor is better connected and more competitive	Cherrybrook Station SSP will provide housing with excellent access to employment centres, including Norwest and strategic centres along the Eastern Economic Corridor via the Sydney Metro. This will provide direct connections for workers who will live in Cherrybrook Station SSP to their place of work. By providing approximately 390 dwellings, more people have access to the strategic centres along the Eastern Economic Corridor, strengthening their role and competitiveness in the global economy.	Yes

Planning Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Planning Priority N12. Delivering integrated land use and transport planning and a 30- minute city	Cherrybrook Station is a catalyst for new development and rezoning in the area, in particular for Cherrybrook Station SSP which bounds the station. The proposed planning framework will allow for private market and affordable housing, as well as employment and community services to be located in proximity to a metro station with connections to the rest of Sydney, including key employment centres, such as Norwest and Macquarie Park.  Furthermore, the draft design guide proposes measure which promote walking, cycling and public transport use, with the proposed	Yes
	delivery of bicycle parking stands in the public domain and more restrictive car parking rates reflecting its position around a metro station.	
Planning Priority N15. Protecting and improving the health and enjoyment of Sydney Harbour and the District's waterways	A Stormwater Management and Flood Risk Assessment was prepared for Royal Haskoning DHV (refer to <b>Appendix N</b> ) to develop a preliminary stormwater management plan for future development within the Cherrybrook Station SSP. Based on the recommendations of this assessment, measures have been included into the draft design guide (refer to <b>Appendix B</b> ) that incorporate water quality treatment targets for future development which go beyond existing stormwater quality targets set by the Hornsby DCP 2013. This will give effect to this planning priority to protect and improve the health of the District's waterways.	Yes
Planning Priority N16. Protecting and enhancing bushland and biodiversity	The biodiversity attributes of the site and surrounds have been assessed in detail in the BDAR (refer to <b>Appendix J</b> ). No vegetation or areas of the threatened ecological community will be removed as part of any future proposed development. Additionally, no indirect impacts are predicted to occur to these biodiversity values. Further, the proposed design guide requires open space to be accessible and to protect and enhance the Environmental Space area which contains the existing Blue Gum High Forest and the stormwater detention basin. As such, no potential for serious and irreversible impacts on biodiversity values have been recorded or assessed as likely to occur as part of the proposal.	Yes
	Furthermore, future development of the subject land will be undertaken in accordance with the Hornsby LEP 2013 which contains provision relating to the protection of biodiversity, including threatened species.	
Planning Priority N17. Protecting and enhancing scenic and cultural landscapes	An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) has been prepared by Artefact Heritage (refer to <b>Appendix V</b> ). The ACHAR outlines measures to mitigate cumulative impacts to the Aboriginal cultural landscape, which have been adopted into the draft design guide, including the following prescriptive measures:  • the open space network includes areas that reflect the past landscape and provide opportunity to celebrate the relationship between the Darug and Awabakal cultural values and traditional land-use activities	Yes
	<ul> <li>a Heritage Interpretation Strategy is to be prepared as part of the first development application which interprets Aboriginal ties to country and Aboriginal cultural landscape values, including the potential cultural landscape value of the Blue Gum High Forest</li> </ul>	

Planning Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
Planning Priority N19. Increasing urban tree canopy cover and delivering Green Grid connections	A tree canopy target of 25% for the private domain and 30% for the public domain for Cherrybrook Station SSP has been adopted by the draft design guide (refer to <b>Appendix B</b> ), representing an increase in tree canopy for the site from 10%. This will support this planning priority to increase urban tree canopy cover and is aligned with the draft Greener Places Design Guide's indicative place-based target of >25% for tree canopy cover in medium to high density environments.	Yes
Planning Priority N20. Delivering high quality open space	Cherrybrook Station SSP will provide over 1 hectare of new high quality public open space including an 8,450sqm Environmental Space and a 3,000sqm publicly accessible open space corridor between Cherrybrook Station with the Blue Gum High Forest. The draft design guide outlines a number of prescriptive measures to ensure these open spaces are of a high quality through:  • providing visual and physical access from the Cherrybrook Station entrance to the Blue Gum High Forest and the proposed community facility  • a variety of seating and gathering zones to support passive	Yes
	<ul> <li>recreation and socialising of its users</li> <li>the incorporation of landscaping to provide tree canopy coverage and enhancing the visual amenity of these open spaces</li> <li>the incorporation of facilities catering for youth, including play space for children</li> </ul>	
	being bordered from active frontages from adjacent buildings that will ensure these spaces are activated	
	opportunities to interpret Aboriginal ties to country and Aboriginal cultural landscape values through public art installations	
	<ul> <li>the integration of WSUD measures to manage the quality of stormwater being discharged.</li> </ul>	
Planning Priority N21. Reducing carbon emissions and managing	As transit-oriented development, the proposal reduces reliance on private motor vehicles to get around. As such, it an inherently lower carbon form of development.	Yes
energy, water and waste efficiently	In addition, the DCP requires a range of other measures intended to deliver on low carbon, net zero emissions and climate change. This includes:	
	<ul> <li>requiring that development applications demonstrate how the Climate Adaptation Plan included in the 'Climate Resilience Assessment' (AECOM, April 2022) has been considered</li> </ul>	
	requiring exceedance of minimum BASIX energy ratings	
	encouraging exceedance of minimum BASIX water ratings	
	<ul> <li>maximising resource recovery, including for operational and construction and demolition waste</li> </ul>	

### **Planning Priority Cherrybrook Station SSP Response** Consistency **Planning Priority** Changes to temperature and rainfall patterns have been analysed and Yes N22. Adapting to the considered in the planning for Cherrybrook Station SSP. A sensitivity analysis was performed and a number of climate risks identified as impacts of urban and natural hazards part of a Climate Resilience Assessment prepared by AECOM (refer and climate change to Appendix M). A number of adaptation and mitigation measures adopted into the draft design guide (refer to Appendix B) include stormwater management and WSUD initiatives, 25% tree canopy coverage for the private domain and 30% for the public domain to provide shade and reduce urban heat island effects and setting commitments and targets for net-zero emissions by 2050. The combination of these measures will ensure future development at Cherrybrook Station SSP will adapt to the impacts of urban and natural hazards and climate change. See also previous comments relating to climate change adaptation in Objective 36 in Section 1.1.

## 1.3 Hornsby Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS)

The following table provides an assessment of the proposal's consistency with the relevant priorities of the Hornsby LSPS.

**Table 3: Consistency with Hornsby LSPS Priorities** 

Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
LP1. Protecting the character of our low density neighbourhoods	Council has adopted a precinct-based approach to concentrate housing in certain areas to protect the environmentally sensitive areas of the Shire and the character of lower density suburbs. These have typically been focused close to public transport and commercial centres.	Yes
	With the operation of the new Cherrybrook Station, adopting a similar approach to concentrate housing in this location would be consistent with this. The Hornsby LSPS acknowledges the current planning for the broader Cherrybrook Station Precinct and potential for this to contribute to longer term targets.	
LP2. Promoting design excellence for new housing	Current design excellence provisions of the Hornsby LEP 2013 will apply to the Cherrybrook Station SSP, ensuring design excellence is promoted as part of any future development.	Yes
LP3. Supporting the development of community and cultural facilities that will adequately service our current and future community	A Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> ) identified a need for one multi-purpose community facility and a park of a minimum 0.3ha. The proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP responds to this identified need and is to provide over 3,000 sqm of publicly accessible open space and 1,300 sqm of GFA for the purposes of community floor space.  In addition, an Environmental Space of approximately 8,450 sqm will be delivered on the north portion of the Cherrybrook Station SSP, which will support a stormwater detention function while enabling opportunities for passive recreation.  See also previous comments relating to community facilities in Objective 6 and Planning Priority N3 in Section 1.1 and 1.2	Yes
LP4. Aligning the	respectively.  A Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> )	Yes
delivery of local infrastructure and public domain improvements with current and future growth	identified a need for one multi-purpose community facility and a park of a minimum 0.3ha. The Reference Scheme and proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has been designed in response to this identified need and will provide over 3,000 sqm of publicly accessible open space and 1,300 sqm of GFA for the purposes of community floor space.	. 35
	To ensure the delivery of local infrastructure is aligned with future growth in Cherrybrook Station SSP, Sydney Metro and Landcom intend to negotiate a planning agreement with Council. Such an agreement would require the infrastructure to be provided either by Landcom (or assigned by agreement with the Council to another future developer), in exchange for the offset of a section 7.11 monetary contributions.	
	See also previous comments relating to infrastructure for communities in Objective 6 and Planning Priority N3 in Section 1.1 and 1.2 respectively.	

Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
LP5. Protecting, conserving and promoting our natural, built and cultural heritage	This SSP Study is accompanied by a Heritage Impact Statement (Appendix I) that confirms the outcomes based on the Reference Scheme will have an acceptable response to environmental heritage subject to a range of recommended measures being adopted. These recommended measures have been translated into prescriptive measures of the draft design guide prepared for Cherrybrook Station SSP (refer to Appendix B).  An Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) has been prepared by Artefact Heritage (refer to Appendix V). The ACHAR outlines measures to mitigate cumulative impacts to the Aboriginal cultural landscape. See also previous comments relating to conserving Aboriginal cultural heritage in Planning Priority N17 in Section 1.2 above.	Yes
LP6. Providing housing in the right locations that meets the needs of our community with regard to housing type and mix, design, sustainability, affordability and safety	The proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has the potential to deliver approximately 390 new dwellings. Of these dwellings, 5% will be affordable housing. Overall, this will directly generate more housing supply and provide diverse and affordable dwellings that will give effect to these objectives. These new dwellings are to be in a highly accessible location, close to public transport linking the Cherrybrook SSP with local and regional retail and employment centres which in turns promote sustainable transport through an increase in public transport use and active transport measures.	Yes
SP1. Improving the overall health of our natural environment and ecosystem  SP2. Protecting and increasing the extent	The biodiversity attributes of the site and surrounds have been assessed in detail in the BDAR (refer to <b>Appendix J</b> ). No vegetation or areas of the threatened ecological community will be removed as part of any future proposed development. Additionally, no indirect impacts are predicted to occur to these biodiversity values. As such, no potential for serious and irreversible impacts on biodiversity values have been recorded or assessed as likely to occur as part of the	Yes
and quality of natural areas in Hornsby Shire	proposal.  Furthermore, future development of the subject land will be undertake in accordance with the Hornsby LEP 2013 which contains provision relating to the protection of biodiversity, including threatened species.	
	The extent and quality of natural areas in the Cherrybrook SSP will be improved with an increase in tree canopy cover to 25% for the private domain and 30% for the public domain (subject to a bushfire risk assessment) and the delivery of 8,450 sqm (approx.) Environmental Space, which will support a stormwater detention function while enabling opportunities for passive recreation. This provides a natural asset function for passive recreation whilst enhancing the quality of natural areas within the Cherrybrook SSP.	
SP4. Improving connectivity between natural areas	A key design response of the Cherrybrook SSP is the creation of a central open space corridor that connects the Blue Gum High Forest located to the north of the site. The layout of the Reference Scheme will also provide for direct physical and visual connectivity to this future open space, drawing the surrounding landscape into the Cherrybrook Station SSP and providing for a new view corridor between the metro station and the endangered Blue Gum High Forest.	Yes

optimisation of this State infrastructure.

throughout the Shire.

Priority	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
CP4. Partnering with HATSICC to improve planning outcomes for our Aboriginal community	As detailed in the Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment Report (ACHAR) prepared by Artefact Heritage (refer to <b>Appendix V</b> ), consultation has been carried out with the Hornsby Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Consultative Committee (HATSICC). The ACHAR was also provided to Registered Aboriginal Parties (RAPs) together with an explanatory letter setting out the reason for consultation in order to retrieve any feedback by these parties.  The ACHAR outlines measures to mitigate cumulative impacts to the Aboriginal cultural landscape, which have been adopted into the draft design guide, including the following prescriptive measures:  • the open space network includes areas that reflect the past landscape and provide opportunity to celebrate the relationship between the Darug and Awabakal cultural values and traditional land-use activities	Yes
	a Heritage Interpretation Strategy is to be prepared as part of the first development application which interprets Aboriginal ties to country and Aboriginal cultural landscape values, including the potential cultural landscape value of the Blue Gum High Forest	

## 1.4 State Environmental Planning Policies

The following table provides an assessment of the proposal's consistency with applicable State Environmental Planning Policies (SEPPs).

**Table 4: Consistency with SEPPs** 

SEPP	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
State Environmental Planning Policy (Building Sustainability Index: BASIX) 2004	The proposal is capable of complying with the provisions of the SEPP. Detailed assessment, including the imposition of any conditions of development consent, will be undertaken as part of the subsequent DA process.	Yes
State Environmental Planning Policy (Biodiversity and Conservation) 2021	The proposed planning framework does not seek to amend the SEPP. This SEPP may still apply should there be any proposal to clear native vegetation in any non-rural area, including land at Cherrybrook Station SSP.  Cherrybrook Station SSP is located within the catchment area of	N/A
	the Hawkesbury River. Any potential impacts as a result of future development at Cherrybrook Station SSP, such as stormwater runoff, will be considered and addressed appropriately at the DA stage.	
State Environmental Planning Policy (Precincts—Central River City) 2021	The proposal seeks to amend the SEPP by establishing the State as the consent authority for development with a CIV over \$30 million. This is consistent with the intent of streamlining development of State significant sites to deliver on a number of key State government planning policy outcomes, in particular the delivery of a greater amount and choice of homes in an accessible, high amenity location	N/A
State Environmental Planning Policy (Housing) 2021	The proposed planning framework does not seek to amend the SEPP. However, as the proposed outcome for the Cherrybrook Station SSP is to deliver 5% of the total residential dwellings as affordable housing, the SEPP definition of 'affordable housing' will be used to determine rents of dedicated affordable housing.	N/A
State Environmental Planning Policy No. 65 Design Quality of Residential Apartment Development (SEPP 65)	SEPP 65 aims to improve the design quality of residential apartments through nine (9) design quality principles and the Apartment Design Guide (ADG). This will be a key consideration as part of the assessment of any future development applications for residential flat buildings and shop top housing within Cherrybrook Station SSP.	Yes
	The Reference Scheme has considered key elements of the Apartment Design Guide to demonstrate that future development will be capable of compliance.	
State Environmental Planning Policy (Planning Systems) 2021	The site is currently not identified as a State significant development site nor a State significant infrastructure site under this SEPP.	Yes
	The proposed planning framework seeks to amend the SEPP to specify certain development at Cherrybrook Station SSP as State significant development to ensure a state-led, consistent and transparent planning pathway for the development of government land at Cherrybrook Station SSP. The proposed drafting of this amendment is provided at <b>Appendix A</b> .	

SEPP	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
State Environmental Planning Policy (Resilience and Hazards) 2021	A Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI) has been prepared by JBS&G (refer to <b>Appendix K</b> ). This PSI aims to provide a preliminary assessment of site contamination to evaluate whether the SSP is, or can be made suitable for the proposed rezoning. The PSI concludes that there are no significant indications of gross and/or widespread contamination within the SSP. However, there are a number of potentially contaminating activities currently being undertaken, or that have previously been undertaken, at the SSP that carry a low potential to have introduced localised contamination within areas of the Cherrybrook Station SSP.  The SEPP requires that contamination and remediation be considered in determining a future Development Application at Cherrybrook Station SSP. As such a Stage 2 Detailed Site Investigation is not required at this stage given that the PSI concludes that the site is able to be made suitable from a contamination and remediation perspective for the proposed rezoning.	Yes
State Environmental Planning Policy (Transport and Infrastructure) 2021	While not having a direct relationship to a specific matter in the SEPP, the proposal does nonetheless promote its aim of 'allowing for the efficient development, redevelopment or disposal of surplus government owned land'.	

#### Hornsby Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LEP 2013) 1.5

The following table provides an assessment of the proposal's consistency with the aims of the Hornsby LEP 2013 and the relevant land use zones and development standard objectives.

Table 5: Consistency with Hornsby LEP 2013

LEP Provision	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
1.2 Aims of Plan		
(a) to facilitate development that creates— (i) progressive town centres, thriving rural areas and abundant recreation spaces connected by efficient infrastructure and transport systems	The proposed planning framework of this SSP Study seeks to establish a town centre environment featuring vibrant public spaces and community services to be located directly adjacent to a metro station with connections to the rest of Sydney, including key employment centres, such as Norwest and Macquarie Park.	Yes
(ii) a well-planned area with managed growth to provide for the needs of future generations and people enriched by diversity of cultures, the beauty of the environment and a strong economy	Cherrybrook Station is a catalyst for new development and rezoning in the area, in particular for Cherrybrook Station SSP which bounds the station. The proposed planning framework will allow for private market and affordable housing, as well as employment and community services.  Furthermore, a Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> ) has been prepared to inform this SSP Study, which identifies the need for one multi-purpose community facility and a park of a minimum 0.3ha. The proposed planning framework requires the Cherrybrook Station SSP to deliver over 1 hectare of new public open space which includes approximately 8,450 sqm Environmental Space and a minimum 3,000 sqm of community open space, creating an open space corridor between Cherrybrook Station with the Blue Gum High Forest. The proposed design guide requires open space to be accessible and protect and enhance the Environmental Space area which contains the existing Blue Gum High Forest and the stormwater detention basin. This will function to support the recreational needs of the future population of the Cherrybrook Station SSP and broader community.	Yes
(b) to guide the orderly and sustainable development of Hornsby, balancing its economic, environmental and social needs	A number of adaptation and sustainability measures are included in the draft design guide (refer to <b>Appendix B</b> ). These include WSUD initiatives, a requirement for 25% tree canopy coverage for the private domain and 30% tree canopy coverage for the public domain (subject to bushfire risk assessment) to provide shade and reduce urban heat island effects and setting commitments and targets for net-zero emissions by 2050. In addition, the Reference Scheme and proposed planning framework for Cherrybrook Station SSP has been designed in response to the identified needs outlined by the Social Infrastructure Needs Assessment (refer to <b>Appendix F</b> ) and will provide over 3,000 sqm of publicly accessible open space and 1,300 sqm of GFA for the purposes of community floor space.	Yes

gathering focal point for the broader Cherrybrook community

These recommended measures have been translated into measures in the draft design guide prepared for Cherrybrook

Station SSP (refer to **Appendix B**)

The Reference Scheme proposes for a range of active ground

floor retail and community uses to bound the future community open space located centrally within Cherrybrook Station SSP.

Yes

To provide a mixture of

compatible land uses

FSR standard objective

LEP Provision	Cherrybrook Station SSP Response	Consistency
To permit development of a bulk and scale that is appropriate for the site constraints, development	The proposed amendments to the Hornsby LEP 2013 seek to apply a floor space ratio of 1.25:1 to the block north of Bradfield Parade and 1:1 to the block south of Bradfield Parade.	Yes
potential and infrastructure capacity of the locality	The proposed application of FSRs has sought to avoid 'locking in' FSR on a building envelope basis. Rather, this has been applied largely on a block basis. The intent of the maximum FSR control, working in combination with the maximum Height of Buildings control, is to provide some flexibility in the design of street blocks and public domain, with the gross floor area permitted by the maximum FSR able to be distributed across the block to suit the best design outcome while remaining appropriate for the site constraints, development potential and infrastructure capacity of the locality.	