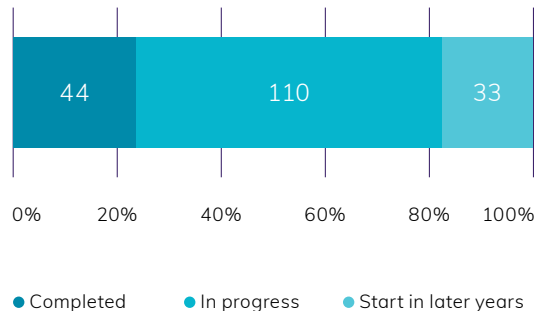


Local Strategic Planning Statement (Towards 2040) - Progress Report 2021/22

The LSPS provides that a progress report is provided via the Annual Report. Towards 2040 was adopted by Council in 2020 and is available on Council’s website. It guides our land use planning for a 20-year period. It has 187 actions for implementation in the short, medium, and long term across nine Directions. The chart below shows the overall progress to 30 June 2022, with 23% of actions completed, 59% in progress and 18% are scheduled to start in later years.

Figure 4
LSPS actions progress in 2020/21

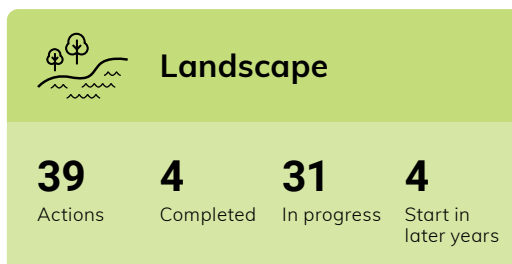


Many actions in the Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS) relate to the preparation of the new Northern Beaches Local Environmental Plan (LEP) and Development Control Plan (DCP), which will provide the key rules for future planning and development. Many actions will also be addressed in Council’s Place Planning Program.

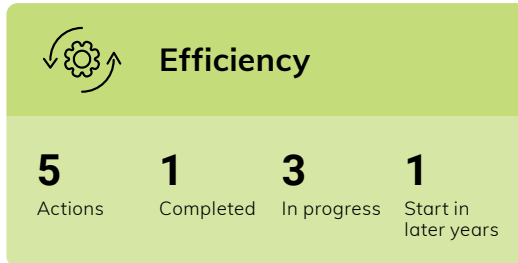
A highlight this year was extensive community engagement on the LEP/DCP Discussion Paper, attracting 399 submissions with valuable feedback on:

- protecting the natural environment including waterway quality
- climate resilience and sustainability
- infrastructure and local service needs
- housing requirements and local character.

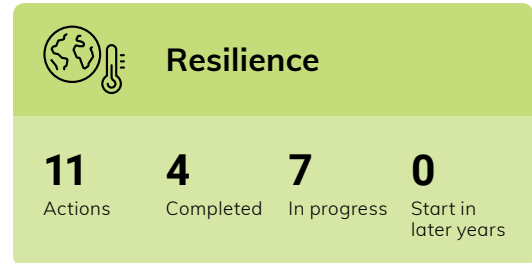
A range of technical studies are being finalised to inform this work, including the environment, urban design, character, social infrastructure and employment. Following completion of these studies and community feedback, a draft LEP and DCP will be prepared for public exhibition in 2023. Key achievements this year are outlined below for each of the nine LSPS Directions.



- Adopted Action Plans on Coast; Biodiversity and Bushland; and Waterways and Catchments.
- Progressed a range of technical environmental studies and exhibited the draft Environment Study.
- Developed strategies and plans on urban trees, open space and recreation.
- Frenchs Forest precinct: 1.5 hectares of open space is allocated for the town centre site, as well as upgrades at Brick Pit, Akora and Rabbett Reserves.
- Greening My City grant secured to plant additional trees in Manly Vale, Brookvale and Balgowlah.
- Riparian rehabilitation works at various locations.



- Implementing our Climate Change Action Plan.
- Adopted the Environmental Education and Sustainability Action Plan.
- Investigated building standards for residential and non-residential buildings and relevant infrastructure, to support the push for net zero carbon buildings.
- Reviewed permissible land uses for the new LEP/DCP to promote a circular economy, and prepare new standard controls for water efficiency and waste management.
- Scotland Island: Sydney Water completed a review of Council's feasibility study for provision of water and wastewater services. Awaiting Sydney Water decision.



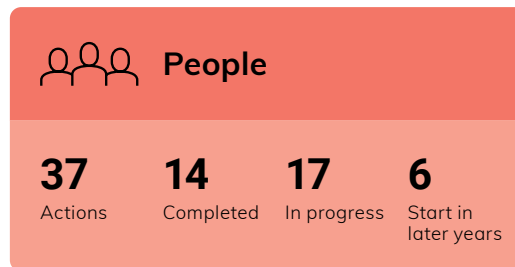
- Adopted the Resilience Strategy and implementing our Climate Change Action Plan.
- Completed studies on flooding, bushfire and coastal hazards.
- Increased enforcement and education regarding illegal dumping and land clearing.
- Annual monitoring for vector-borne illness i.e. viruses carried by mosquitoes.
- Lighting audit and management plan completed to support designation of Palm Beach Headland as an Urban Night Sky Place.



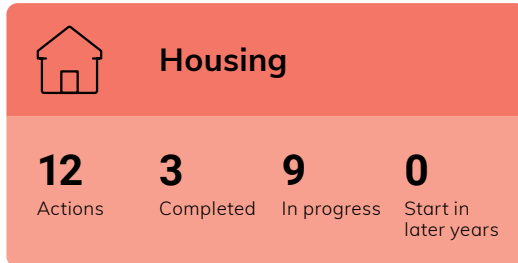
The LEP/DCP Discussion Paper outlined Council's proposed approach to support infrastructure provision, though local controls only facilitate smaller scale infrastructure associated with non-government owned land or operators. For new precincts such as Frenchs Forest, whole-of-government precinct planning addresses the infrastructure needs - this year Phase One of the Frenchs Forest Hospital Structure Plan was completed.

Key progress on other elements included:

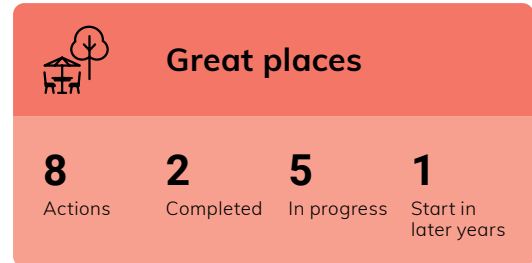
- Developing the Special Infrastructure Zones for preparation of the new LEP.
- Progressed associated studies on social Infrastructure, employment and Brookvale traffic.
- Frenchs Forest: A local contributions plan was submitted to IPART for review.
- Brookvale Structure Plan: completed key stakeholder engagement, including State agencies.



- Adopted the Social Sustainability Strategy and related wellbeing indicators.
- Adopted a new Disability Inclusion Action Plan.
- Implemented strategies for arts and creativity, community centres and Children's Services.
- Active on the Northern Beaches Homelessness Interagency Group to reduce homelessness.
- Frenchs Forest precinct plans advanced with:
 - public art strategy and sustainability requirements included in the DCP
 - over 8,000m² has been allocated to universities, training and research.



- Local Housing Strategy adopted by Council and approved by Department of Planning.
- Community feedback on the LEP/DCP Discussion Paper being considered for planning controls.
- Liaised with NSW Government to improve opportunities for social housing.
- Frenchs Forest precinct: Adopted the local Affordable Housing Contributions Scheme, approved by the Department of Planning, for 10-15% of town centre development be affordable housing.
- Affordable housing provisions being developed for Brookvale Structure Plan, Mona Vale and Manly Place Plans.



- The Design and Sustainability Advisory Panel completed its first 2-years, its role being to review large scale developments to ensure design excellence. It also reviewed the draft Urban Design Study.
- Progressed development of new planning controls in the LEP for built form, landscape, design excellence, heritage and local character.
- Supported the work of the Aboriginal Heritage Office and associated Museum.
- Implemented the Moveable Heritage Strategy and building an associated Register.
- Continued our heritage advisory service and awarded Local Heritage Grants.
- Manly: Progressed the Manly Place Plan and a review of Manly Heritage Conservation Areas.



Connectivity

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Actions

1

Completed

7

In progress

11

Start in
later years

- Implemented the adopted Transport Strategy and supporting Plans - Bike, Walking, Pedestrian Access and Mobility Plans, and Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Plan.
- Developing a Parking Plan.
- Developing controls for public transport, active travel, parking, car share and end of trip facilities.
- Brookvale-Dee Why transport study reviewed by Transport NSW.



Jobs and skills

48

Actions

14

Completed

26

In progress

8

Start in
later years

- Adopted the Destination Management Plan and Community Safety Plan.
- Completed studies on employment, night-time economy, and industrial and urban services land.
- Liaising with Department of Planning on Employment Zones reforms.
- Developing LEP and DCP controls to enhance employment opportunities in centres.
- Frenchs Forest Precinct: adopted the Development Contributions Plan; have identified future key infrastructure needs; and applied for Green Star rating.
- Developing Brookvale Structure Plan for a mix of industrial and urban services.
- Developing Place Plans for Avalon, Mona Vale and Manly.
- Working groups established for village activation plans at Mona Vale, Forestville and Newport.