

Riverstone & Alex Avenue

April 2009 Newsletter

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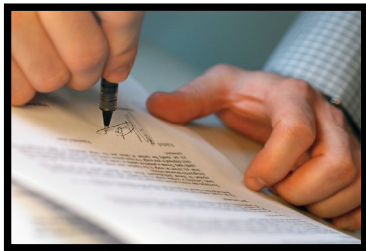
The draft plans for the Riverstone and Alex Avenue Precincts were placed on exhibition for more than two months from 25 November 2008 until 6 February 2009.

Landowners, residents and other interested groups were able to comment about the future of the area at a critical time in the planning process. Planning in the Riverstone and Alex Avenue Precincts affects about 4,000 landowners and residents, so your feedback on the draft was essential before the plans can be finalised.

Once the land is rezoned for urban development, the Riverstone Precinct will eventually provide almost 9,000 new homes while the Alex Avenue Precinct will eventually provide 6,100 new homes. This could see the local population grow to more than 40,000 new residents.

Top Issues

The Department of Planning has received almost 330 submissions from the Riverstone and Alex Avenue exhibition. Most of these submissions related to the Riverstone draft plan. Some of the issues raised so far include:



- Indicative road layout of the Precincts
- Rezoning of land to open space or conservation area
- Rezoning of land for drainage purposes
- Rezoning of the Riverstone Industrial Area
- Timing and value of land to be acquired
- Relocation of Schofields Station
- Timing of the exhibition
- Section 94 levy exceeding \$20,000 lot threshold

Each submission is being considered and a report addressing all issues raised is expected to be completed by mid 2009. Once the plans are finalised, the land in Riverstone and Alex Avenue Precincts can be rezoned.

Shopfront Success

More than 750 people visited the shopfront in Riverstone CBD, to find out more on the draft plans for the Riverstone and Alex Avenue Precincts.

The shopfront operated throughout the exhibition period and allowed as many people as possible to view the draft plans and exhibition materials, and also speak with a planner.

The number of visitors to the shopfront indicated its popularity among the Riverstone and Schofields communities.

"Locals certainly took advantage of having a one-stop information shop right in the centre of town and a lot of people really appreciated being able to talk to a planner then and there," said Precinct Project Manager Paul Robilliard. "Plenty of information was available for landowners to take home before they started writing their submissions."

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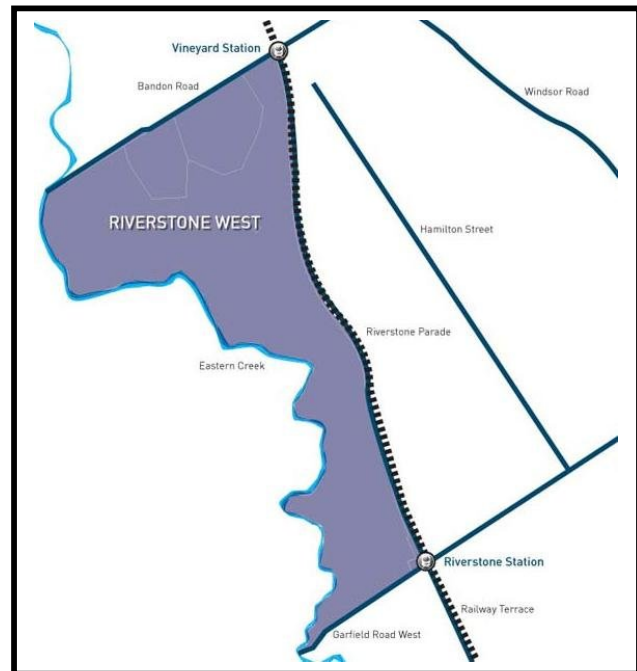
Riverstone West Exhibition

Draft plans for the Riverstone West Precinct are now on public display until Wednesday 15 April 2009. The Riverstone West Precinct is known locally as the old Riverstone Meatworks site. Once rezoned, Riverstone West could provide land for around 12,000 new jobs.

To view the draft plans for Riverstone West, visit www.gcc.nsw.gov.au or call 1300 730 550 to find out an exhibition location close to you. A Riverstone West guide and CD of the exhibition material are also available. Email community@planning.nsw.gov.au to receive a copy.

News in Brief...

- Draft plans for the Area 20 Precinct are expected to be exhibited later this year.
- Exhibition of draft plans for Marsden Park Industrial Precinct is due in the second half of 2009.
- The North Kellyville Precinct was rezoned in December 2008 to accommodate an extra 5,185 homes. The Hills Shire Council is already receiving enquiries from landowners about potential developments.



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