



Smart Cities Plan

WESTERN SYDNEY CITY DEAL

LIVEABILITY AND ENVIRONMENT

Western Sydney is a place of stunning natural beauty alongside economic opportunity and a growing and diverse community. The City Deal takes advantage of these features to create and maintain a place where people want to live, visit and do business.

Western Parkland City Liveability Program to deliver amenity and liveable communities

High quality community infrastructure and public spaces are important for the liveability of families and households in the Western City. A **\$150 million Western Parkland City Liveability Program**, including \$60 million each from the Australian and NSW governments and \$30 million from councils, will deliver local facilities that promote healthy, active lifestyles and support the arts, culture and creativity.

Projects will be selected using eligibility criteria and will be equally shared between participating councils.

Diverse, open spaces will create healthy and sustainable neighborhoods

A Blue and Green Grid will take advantage of the existing waterways of the Hawkesbury catchment to provide natural corridors through the Western City. This includes a strategy to **restore and protect South Creek**, between Narellan and the Hawkesbury, as the Western City's green spine – providing parks, community activity, urban cooling, walking and cycling trails, and local habitat.

Combining environmental and research strengths

A Western Sydney **Centre of Innovation in Plant Sciences** at the Australian Botanic Centre will support the Western City's parkland focus. The Centre will become Australia's premier international botanic research facility and continue Western Sydney's emergence as an important scientific hub.

KEY COMMITMENTS

- ❖ **\$150 million Western Parkland City Liveability Program**
- ❖ **Western Sydney Centre of Innovation in Plant Sciences**
- ❖ **South Creek Strategy**
- ❖ **Western City Strategic Assessment**

Streamlining development while protecting environmental assets

A **strategic assessment** for the Western City under the national *Environment Protection and Biodiversity Act 1999* will streamline delivery of new homes to meet growth, cut red tape for developers and provide certainty for communities. The strategic assessment will ensure that nationally protected species and ecological communities are protected – such as the critically endangered Cumberland Plain Woodland and the iconic Green and Golden Bell Frog.

Cooperative health partnerships

Safe, healthy and sustainable neighbourhoods are central to the Western City's liveability. The **Western Sydney Health Alliance** brings together health partners across the region, to share data and information and drive better health outcomes for the community through improved collaboration.

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