



Meeting summary

Meeting Greater Sydney Parklands (GSP) – Fernhill Estate community trustee board (CTB) meeting **Date** Tuesday 9 May 2023

Attendees: CTB members: Shari Driver (Chair), Cindy Laws, Nicholas Leech, Tricia Hitchen, Peter Harvey, Poonam Naik, Robert Bennett.

GSP staff: Laura Stevens, Director Community, Engagement and Partnerships; Paula Tomkins, Senior Manager Open Space Planning; Paul Stuart, Head of Marketing and Events.

Secretariat: Keiasha Naidoo

Apologies: None

Topic	Summary	Action
Welcome and opening Shari Driver, Chair Fernhill Estate CTB	<ul style="list-style-type: none">The meeting was opened by the Chair. The Acknowledgement of Country was given.	N/A
GSP planning context and regulation update Paula Tomkins, Senior Manager Open Space Planning Greater Sydney Parklands	<ul style="list-style-type: none">GSP provided an overview of the planning framework for Fernhill Estate.GSP provided an overview of the environmental assessment and approval requirements for works conducted within the estate.GSP and the CTB discussed:<ul style="list-style-type: none">the need to consider the heritage significance for Fernhill Estate.management of traffic on Mulgoa Road and St Thomas Road to support activations.status of NSW Government funding for Fernhill Estate (WestInvest).timing for the finalisation of the draft Conservation Management Plan (CMP).	<ol style="list-style-type: none">GSP to confirm any site-specific exemptions under the Heritage Act for Fernhill Estate.GSP to update the CTB on WestInvest funding.GSP to provide timeframe of finalisation of draft CMP.

<p>Fernhill Estate community events and programs</p> <p>Paul Stuart Head of Marketing and Events, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSP provided an overview of the events and programs across the parklands estate of Greater Sydney Parklands, and other park programs and partnerships that could be expanded to include Fernhill Estate over time. • GSP and the CTB discussed the Discover Fernhill Estate community event held on 29 and 30 April 2023. Feedback was positive and the event attracted new visitors as well as locals. • Key feedback from the CTB included traffic management, parking and access, and diversity and inclusion. • GSP and the CTB discussed opportunities for further programs, events and activations at Fernhill Estate, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First Nations programs - Educational programs - A community garden and live in artists' residency - Use of buildings including Fernhill House and the barn. • The CTB also discussed marketing events and programs via social media and partnering with the local council, schools, art societies and galleries, and/or NSW Parks and Wildlife. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GSP to provide post-event survey on Discover Fernhill Estate to CTB to complete. 2. Peter Harvey will provide a list of feedback points to the Chair and GSP.
<p>Request for agenda items for next meeting and next steps</p> <p>CTB members</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Details of the next meeting will be circulated closer to the time. There is a placeholder for Tuesday 8 August. • Any questions or ideas from the CTB to be shared via the Chair to GSP for discussion at future meetings. 	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. GSP will circulate the May meeting summary and presentations to the CTB following this meeting. 2. GSP will send an agenda and confirmation of the next meeting closer to the date. 3. Chair to provide any information or questions raised by the CTB to GSP.