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Meeting summary

Western Sydney Parklands community trustee board Meeting 2, 2 July 2025

Wednesday, 2 July 2025

Time: 6:00-7:30pm

Venue: Online

CTB members: Sririsay Vukovic (Chair), Rebecca Anderson, Ana Lage, Cr Bob Fitzgerald OAM, Cheryl Dewhurst

Absent: Douglas Belton

GSP staff: Ben Tax, Director Property Services; Callantha Bringham, Director Strategy, Design and Delivery; Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager (Secretariat)

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<p>Welcome and opening Sririsay Vukovic, Chair, Western Sydney Parklands CTB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The meeting was opened by the Chair. An Acknowledgment of Country was given. No conflicts of interest were declared.
<p>Tourism Hubs EOI Ben Tax, Director Property Services, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> GSP provided an overview of the upcoming Expression of Interest (EOI) process for new tourism hubs at Bungarribee within the northern part of Western Sydney Parklands. In accordance with the Western Sydney Parklands Plan of Management 2030, 5% is allocated for tourism uses. GSP is looking to leverage the remaining sites either side of Sydney Zoo. GSP will consider in the longer term, the potential tourism opportunity on the other side of the Greater Western Highway – adjacent to Pikes Lane. The CTB discussed the EOI's desired placemaking principles. The CTB was invited to provide feedback on the placemaking principles, including opportunities for improvement, and opportunities and concerns regarding the broader project. The following feedback was provided:



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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Consideration of existing tenants and places of operation around the tourism hub e.g. how does Sydney Motor Sports Park and the sporting facilities in the northern Parklands connect with the tourism hub? - Impacts on residential areas/amenity surrounding the tourism hub regarding security and access afterhours. GSP noted that access and connectivity through the potential new tourism sites and the broader Parklands will be explored through final design works to follow the second stage in the EOI process. - How will new tenants interact with existing tenants? GSP facilitates regular opportunities for networking and collaboration between Parklands tenants. - Improved public transport connections including cycleways to the new hubs are required. The CTB noted the existing cycleways along the M7 and throughout the parklands have many connections with residential areas and other local sites, thereby providing options for the community. GSP is working with Transport for NSW to exploring opportunities to increase public transport and improved active transport connections. - Concern regarding crowd management/high patronage during peak times. GSP advised that this will be considered during the second stage of the EOI process that will involve detailed consideration of access and egress, impact on roads. <p>Action: GSP to share the Tourism Hub EOI with the CTB once in market.</p>
<p>Southern Parklands update Callantha Bringham, Director Strategy Design and Delivery, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSP provided an overview of the Southern Parklands in context of the Western Sydney Parklands Plan of Management 2030 and Southern Parklands Framework. • GSP reported on recent discussions with the GSPT Board regarding focus areas in the Southern Parklands in the short to medium term. This included the Beauty Spot, Liverpool Offtake Reservoir, Austral sports facilities, Fifteenth Avenue business and community hubs (as discussed at Meeting 1, 2025) and Shale Hills. • The CTB made the following comments and feedback from a community and stakeholder perspective: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ensure regional parks complement the offer of local parks to cater for the growing residential populations. GSP noted there's different opportunities for local parks versus regional parks and considering a balance will be important. - There are opportunities to work together with Liverpool City Council (LCC) and other stakeholders including Sydney Water. - LCC has undertaken local park planning work but is awaiting funding for delivery. The offer of a collaborative approach was appreciated and LCC would be open to further conversations with GSP to discuss. - A potential swim site at Liverpool Offtake Reservoir is exciting. - Consultation with Aboriginal communities and identification of locations of significance to be factored into planning and design. - Community and stakeholder consultation is important. • The CTB noted the above-mentioned sites would be suitable to include in the itinerary for the future park tour. <p>Action: CTB members are invited to share any further thoughts and reflections after the meeting.</p>



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<p>Draft 2024 CTB performance report</p> <p>Jenny Gleeson, Community Engagement Manager, GSP</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • GSP provided an overview of the reporting requirement outlined in the Terms of Reference to evaluate the CTB’s performance, including self-evaluation of its level of effectiveness against its purpose and responsibilities on an annual basis. • Members of the previous term were invited to complete the self-assessment survey. GSP provided an overview of the self-evaluation findings and next steps for reporting.
<p>Correspondence and other business / Next steps, thanks and close</p> <p>Sririsay Vukovic, Chair, Western Sydney Parklands CTB</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • CTB members were invited to share their connections to Western Sydney Parklands including how they have recently experienced the Parklands in a personal or professional capacity. Members agreed to include this as a regular agenda item going forward. • The CTB discussed the preliminary findings from the feedback form regarding 2025/26 priorities and future agenda items, noting that there is still time for all members to provide feedback. • The Joint Select Committee has released its report into the review of the <i>Greater Sydney Parklands Trust Act 2022</i>, including several recommendations regarding CTB operations, membership and recruitment. • Meeting 3 will be held in person; this will be the first meeting with the new members.

