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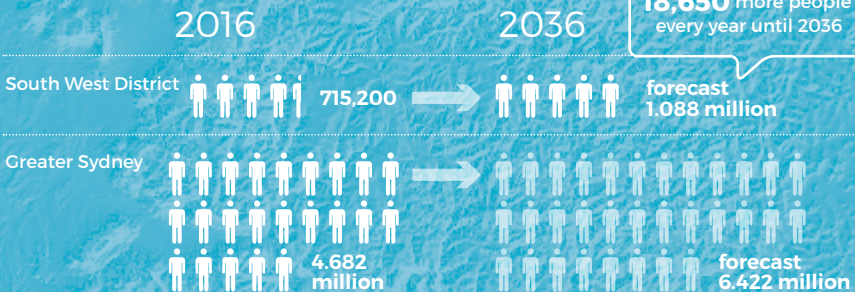
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Fairfield

Liverpool  
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# Snapshot of the South West District

## Population



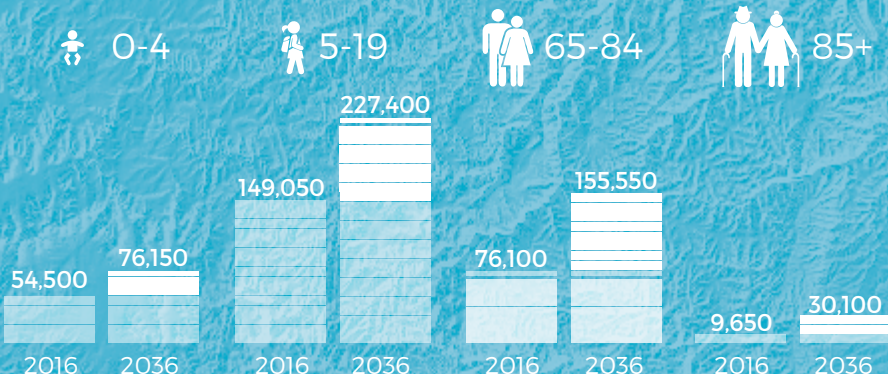
Up to **45%** of residents speak a **language other than English** at home, higher than the Greater Sydney average of 37%



# 237,100 jobs

which is nearly **10%** of Greater Sydney's jobs

## Growth by Key Age Groups



There will be **over triple** the number of people aged **over 85 years** in the **next 20 years**

# The South West District Plan

**The South West District is Sydney's fastest growing District, where urban lifestyles meet rural living and residents enjoy the best of both worlds. It's rich in Aboriginal, colonial and migrant history and heritage and is one of the most culturally diverse communities in Australia.**

The draft South West District Plan maps our 20-year vision for the South West District of Greater Sydney.

The draft South West District Plan is one of six draft District Plans developed by the Greater Sydney Commission for each of Sydney's Districts. We were established by the NSW Government in 2016 to do the big picture planning for Greater Sydney. The District Commissioner for the South West District is Sheridan Dudley.

This overview summarises the draft South West District Plan and asks you for your thoughts and ideas. You can read the entire draft Plan at [www.greater.sydney](http://www.greater.sydney) and send feedback:

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- by email:  
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- by post:  
Greater Sydney Commission  
Draft South West District Plan  
PO Box 257, Parramatta NSW 2124.

We want to work with you to understand what is important and to give everyone an opportunity to play an active role in shaping the future of the South West District.

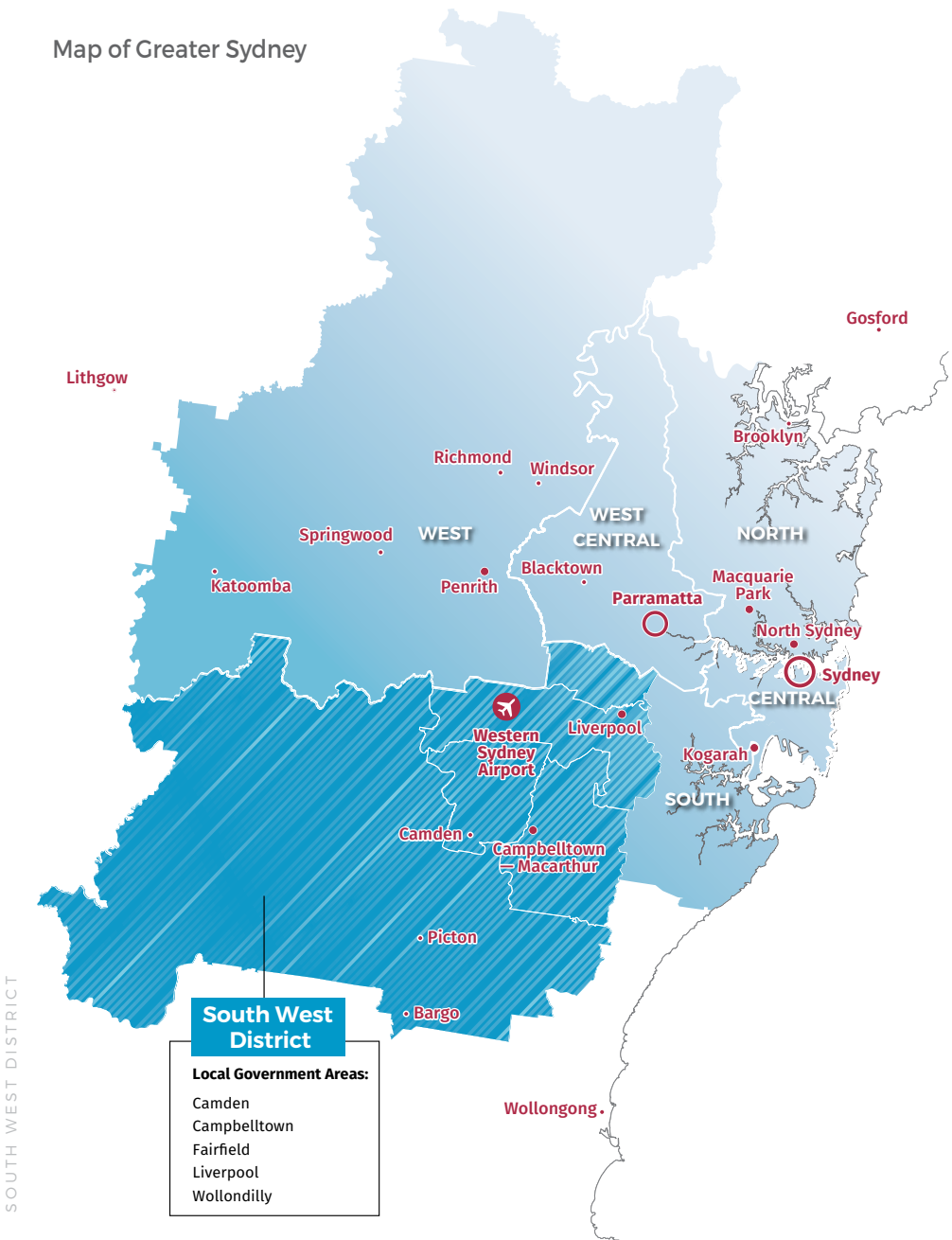
Planning in Greater Sydney traditionally happened at two levels: The NSW Government developed overarching plans that considered the city's growing population, including what kind of jobs and transport people will need. Local government developed local environmental plans to identify how land can be used, including housing, business and parks.

We're now bridging this gap with district-level planning that connects local planning with the longer-term metropolitan planning for Greater Sydney.



Liverpool

# Map of Greater Sydney



# Our vision for the South West District

**South West District is a place where opportunity, success and prosperity are forged from humble beginnings, where innovation thrives, smart jobs are created, international business connections are established and global investment is supported. Local people form the basis of a highly skilled and educated workforce that continues to grow and invest in itself and its future.**

With its positive image and reputation as the lifestyle capital of Sydney, the South West District will be a global innovation gateway and a destination of choice for existing and new communities, local residential development and visitors.

The District's physical expanse, highly valued natural topography, enriching landscape and vibrant and cohesive community will offer a greater range of distinct and authentic precincts with culturally diverse food, inspiring stories and genuine experiences.

Drawing on its rich Aboriginal, colonial and migrant heritage, the District's thriving tourism industry and world-class health and education facilities will make it a leader in health-related innovation and employment. Health and education hubs in Campbelltown-Macarthur and Liverpool will provide a range of business, investment and work opportunities. The District will draw on these distinct yet complementary centres that form part of the 'string of pearls' around the Western Sydney Airport, a national and international gateway.

The District will be a great place to live with a wide variety of housing and lifestyle choices that are located close to jobs and accommodate the needs of its growing and diverse population. People will enjoy a choice of shopping experiences in the strategic centres of Campbelltown-Macarthur and Liverpool, the district centres of Fairfield, Leppington and Narellan, and local centres with distinctive characters such as Cabramatta, Camden and Picton.

## Aboriginal heritage within the South West District

The South West District is rich in Aboriginal history that contributes to sense of place and identity across the District. Among the peoples who are part of this rich history are the Gundungurra, Dharawal and Darug. Aboriginal Places within the District include Collingwood Precinct, which was an Aboriginal meeting place and with the Georges River nearby, a source of valuable natural resources.



## Snapshot of the South West District's future

The District's many active and safe places, vibrant main streets and public areas will be connected by integrated, safe and reliable public transport, roads, cycleways and pedestrian links.

A range of jobs will be close to where people live, in industries such as health, aged care, hospitality, retail, food production, construction, freight and logistics, and resource and mineral extraction. A well-developed advanced manufacturing sector will support the medical and tertiary education sectors.

Opportunities for new businesses will emerge in the expanding suburban areas around Austral and Leppington, as well as the new aerotropolis. The strong and progressive rural sector will continue to help feed Greater Sydney while leveraging the export opportunities provided by the new airport. The District will also continue to take advantage of its connections to the Southern Highlands, the Illawarra, Canberra, major ports and freight facilities.

- **Western Sydney Airport** – bringing economic and employment benefits, as a game changer of jobs and transport infrastructure.
- **Accessibility** – integrated public transport, roads, cycleways and pedestrian links creating an interconnected web of accessibility, with increased north-south and east-west transport links connecting people, jobs and places.
- **A great place to live** – high quality urban design and vibrant communities with a wide variety of housing and lifestyle choices that are located close to jobs and that accommodate the needs of a growing and diverse population.
- **The natural landscape** – protecting and enhancing the rivers and bushland, the visual landscape of scenic hills and ridgelines, and our access and connections to them.

## Culture and heritage within the South West District

The District's rich culture and heritage contributes to its sense of place and identity. Examples include vibrant multicultural hubs like Cabramatta and historic country towns such as Camden and Picton. Some examples of arts facilities and festivals include the Campbelltown Arts Centre, Casula Powerhouse, Fairfield Eid Festival and Warragamba Dam Fest.

# Achieving the vision – Our priorities

To achieve this vision for the South West District, the draft Plan sets out our priorities and actions that will shape the District's future and guide policy decisions.



## Plan for a 21st Century aerotropolis

The new Western Sydney Airport and the proposed Western Sydney City Deal between the Australian and NSW Governments, working with local government, will create new opportunities for economic growth. We will make the most of these opportunities to deliver better transport and more than 100,000 jobs for outer Western Sydney, including the South West District.



## Grow and diversify Strategic Centres

Liverpool and Campbelltown-Macarthur will continue to offer knowledge-intensive and smart jobs, housing diversity, quality health and education services and attractive visitor destinations. The opening of the University of Wollongong and Western Sydney University campuses in 2017 will boost the growth of smart jobs, generating business investment in Liverpool.

Creation of world-class health and education super precincts in Liverpool and Campbelltown-Macarthur will be based around their universities and hospitals.



## Integrate land use and transport planning

It is essential to enhance east-west and north-south transport connections within and to the District to connect residents with jobs, especially around the Western Sydney Airport, Liverpool and Campbelltown-Macarthur. Better connectivity will also assist with business investment and further job creation in the area. We will coordinate transport infrastructure with growth to create local employment in both new greenfield areas and urban renewal areas.



## Improve housing choice, diversity and affordability

We will aim to provide greater housing choice to meet the needs of different households, including traditional nuclear families, extended families, small families, culturally diverse families, people with a disability, seniors, students and executives. We will also aim to provide a variety of housing at various price points. Strategies will focus on providing a range of affordable and well-designed medium density housing types located near public transport routes and employment hubs, particularly in greenfield areas and identified urban renewal areas.



### Create great places

We aim to build great places across the District that are well-designed, accessible, distinctive, safe and enjoyable. We want places to be liveable and activated providing a range of experiences for both residents and visitors. The District will see better walking and cycling connections.



### Respond to people's needs for services

To support the quality of life of growing communities, we will work across government to ensure equitable access to high quality services and facilities including health, child care, schools, tertiary institutions, community and cultural facilities. We want services and facilities to be in attractive public areas within a short distance of homes, so people can enjoy the benefits of walking and cycling. Our planning will aim for connected and well-designed neighbourhoods and places, supported by integrated land use and transport planning to ensure optimal connectivity.



### Enhance arts and culture and protect heritage

We will work to ensure that the District's Aboriginal, European and natural heritage are respected as the District continues to grow. Our arts centres, museums, heritage items, cultural experiences, festivals and events help to define who we are and our sense of place, and will shape our future growth. We want to allow others to share these assets by fostering opportunities for enhancing visitor access and experiences.



### Protect the environment and scenic landscapes

Enhancing and protecting the District's natural landscape setting (including its hills, bushland and waterways), its biodiversity and parklands will be important while facilitating sustainable and well-designed development of greenfield areas. Our planning must protect and enhance water quality of the Nepean River, Georges River and its open space corridor, South Creek and Sydney's drinking water catchment of Warragamba, Cataract, and Cordeaux dams, and other important waterways. The District's scenic views and ridgelines, including the Scenic Hills will be recognised and considered as we plan for the South West District. We will extend and enhance the tree canopy in our suburbs.



### Better manage natural hazards

We will work with State and local governments to better manage natural hazards, including addressing flood risks in the Hawkesbury-Nepean Valley. We will plan for a resilient South West District, which responds to emergency evacuation needs, the heat island effect through tree planting in urban areas, and buffers to manage impacts of rural activities on noise, odour and air quality. We will help local government consider and implement actions to address the impacts of climate change.



# Our vision for Greater Sydney

The current 20-year planning strategy for Greater Sydney is *A Plan for Growing Sydney*, released by the NSW Government in December 2014. In preparing the draft District Plans, we have considered *A Plan for Growing Sydney* as well as a range of other matters that have generated a major shift in strategic planning for Greater Sydney, and have created a longer term, transformational focus on the regional significance of central and western Sydney. As such, *Towards our Greater Sydney 2056*, with its strategy for a metropolis of three cities is set to provide a framework that can better underpin strategic planning for a more productive, liveable and sustainable city. To read more about this vision or to lodge a formal submission, visit [www.greater.sydney](http://www.greater.sydney).

*Towards our Greater Sydney 2056* captures an ambitious future for a growing Greater Sydney and acts as a bridge between the current and future metropolitan plans that provide the overarching vision for Greater Sydney as a whole. It describes Greater Sydney as:



## **A Productive Greater Sydney**

is a city with more jobs in many centres, with more people being able to access their jobs within 30 minutes of where they live. A Productive Greater Sydney sees new knowledge-intensive jobs in centres right across Greater Sydney's six Districts, and supports investment in digital and knowledge-intensive industries.



## **A Liveable Greater Sydney** is a city with many different places that offer the kind of day to day services

and experiences that contribute to our health and happiness. A Liveable Greater Sydney places quality of life considerations at the heart of our planning, focusing on better public transport links, and safe and accessible walking and cycling routes.

It offers a greater choice in places to live, and matches the demand for services with new facilities such as schools, hospitals, child care, aged care and community centres.



## **A Sustainable Greater Sydney**

is a city that continues to exist within a precious landscape, and uses this landscape's environmental integrity as an asset. It focuses on improving the health of Greater Sydney's waterways and enhancing its biodiversity, while also building resilience to natural disasters such as flood and fire that are an inevitable consequence of our landscape and climate. A Sustainable Greater Sydney harnesses technology to unearth innovative ways to minimise our environmental impact.

*Towards our Greater Sydney 2056* tells a story of productivity, liveability and sustainability across three cities that collectively make up Global Sydney. Part of the South West District shares in the Western City.

### Western City

Encompassing the economic area that will evolve with the development of Western Sydney Airport, an emerging centre of connectivity with a focus on freight, transport and logistics. It will also offer the strategic advantage of creating a greater diversity of jobs and greater social opportunities for the many citizens in the centres of Penrith, Blacktown, Liverpool and Campbelltown-Macarthur.

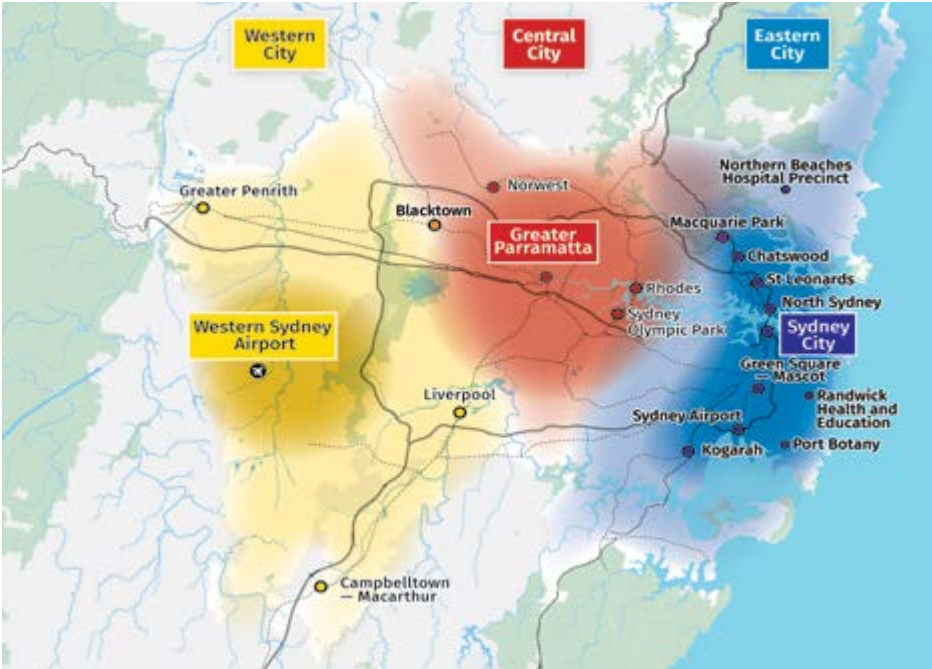
### Central City

Concentrated on the developing job hubs of the Greater Parramatta area, with a foundation in health and education, advanced manufacturing, innovation driven enterprises as well as urban services and Greater Parramatta being the administrative and business centre for Greater Sydney. Strong transport capacity and connections to the Eastern City and Western City will be crucial for the success of the Central City.

### Eastern City

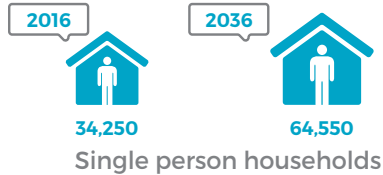
Clustered around Sydney City, extending from Macquarie Park to Kogarah, with established strength in service industries, finance and innovation, and connected to Sydney Airport, Port Botany and Randwick Health and Education, the established Eastern City will continue to grow.

### Plan of Greater Sydney's Three Cities



# More about the South West District

There will be **30,300 more people living alone** over the **next 20 years**, which will be the fastest growing household type between 2016 and 2036



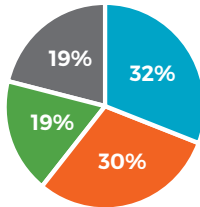
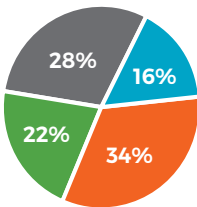
**78%** of homes in the South West District are **detached** compared to 57% across Greater Sydney



## Jobs in 2016

South West District

Greater Sydney



Knowledge and professional services



Population serving sectors



Health and education



Industrial

**10%** of residents have a **bachelor degree** compared to the Greater Sydney average of **20%**



**Public open space** makes up **50%** of the **South West District** and 56% of Greater Sydney



# Your feedback on our Plan

## **#GreaterSydney: Insights from the community**

Our conversations with the community through the #GreaterSydney engagement program have provided valuable insights into what the community values about the South West District and what people want to see changed. We have sought to encapsulate these inputs in the draft South West District Plan. You can read the full draft South West District Plan at [www.greater.sydney](http://www.greater.sydney).

People in the South West told us they want better access to transport so they spend less time commuting. They want better access to jobs, infrastructure and places for sport, recreation and leisure.

People are keen to see more diverse and affordable housing options within the District, including a mix of low, medium and high density housing.

They know that as the population grows, new areas will be developed – and they want these new places to be well-designed, sensitive to the heritage and character of the existing area, and environmentally sustainable.

We are inviting your feedback, in response to the draft South West District Plan, and encourage you to help us plan together for the future of the South West District.

To find out how to get involved or lodge a formal submission, visit [www.greater.sydney](http://www.greater.sydney).

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