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Dear Sir/Madam,

## **Workshop invitation with the Social Panel of the Greater Sydney Commission**

Sydney is undergoing the most significant changes to its physical and social environment in more than a generation. High levels of population growth together with investment in infrastructure and housing are reshaping the city we live in and love. The Greater Sydney Commission is leading metropolitan planning for the Greater Sydney Region and we are working with government, business and members of the community to make sure Sydney remains liveable, productive and sustainable as it grows.

I would like to invite you to participate in a workshop with the Social Panel of the Commission. The panel is developing an advisory paper identifying a range of priority issues and possible solutions as the Commission prepares six draft District Plans for Greater Sydney and I would deeply value your input into this process.

### **About the Social Panel**

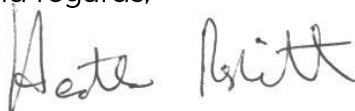
Co-convened by NCOSS CEO Tracy Howe and myself, representatives from a range of peak bodies and groups from across Greater Sydney are collaborating on the development of an advisory paper to inform the preparation of draft District Plans for Greater Sydney.

### **About the Greater Sydney Commission:**

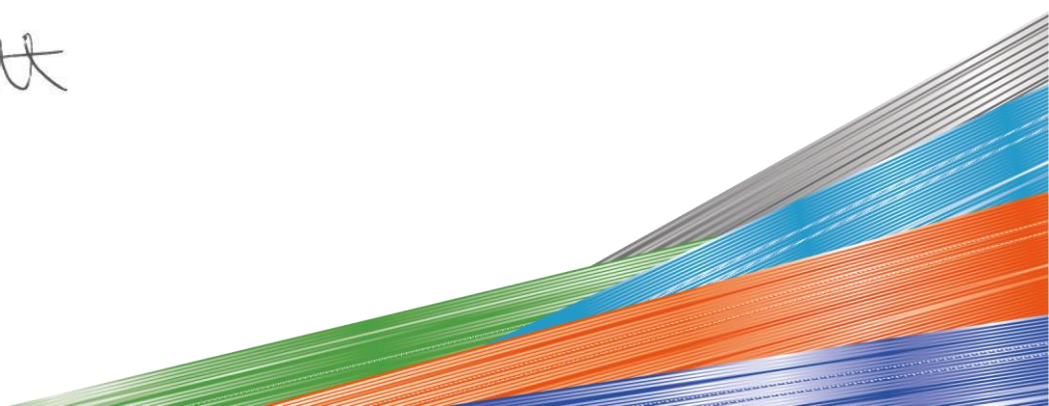
The role of the Commission is to integrate metropolitan and local strategic planning with infrastructure provision, and propose positive economic, environmental and social solutions for the future of Greater Sydney (see [www.greatersydneycommission.nsw.gov.au](http://www.greatersydneycommission.nsw.gov.au)).

Please find attached a draft agenda for the workshop. I hope that you can join us at one of either of the workshops listed on the following page. Enquiries (including any accessibility requirements) and RSVPs should be directed to David Bremner at [david.bremner@gsc.nsw.gov.au](mailto:david.bremner@gsc.nsw.gov.au) or 8289 6200 by Thursday 29 September.

Kind regards,



Heather Nesbitt  
Social Commissioner



# Draft agenda

## Social Panel advisory paper testing workshop

1. Acknowledgement of Country & Welcome
2. About the Greater Sydney Commission & district planning
  - Social Commissioner and Social Panel Co-Convenor Heather Nesbitt will provide a brief overview about the Commission and district planning process.
3. Introduction to the draft advisory paper
  - NCOSS CEO Tracy Howe will introduce the draft advisory paper and key emerging directions.
  - A summary of the draft advisory paper will be circulated before the meeting.
4. Workshop activity

Independently facilitated with hands-on table work on the following topics across the districts:

  - Housing choice and diversity, social and affordable housing
  - Universal design for housing, public spaces and public transport
  - Community facilities, leisure and open space, arts and culture
  - Employment, public transport, walking and cycling

Two workshops will be held with the same format in different locations. Please select one based on your area of knowledge or the service area of your organisation.

### Option A - West Workshop

- 9-11am, Thursday 6 October
- Granville Youth & Community Centre  
3A Memorial Drive, Granville

The venue is disability accessible with accessible toilets and is located near Granville train station which is disability accessible.

For associations/ organisations covering the following district/ council areas:

- **West Central District** – Blacktown, Canterbury-Bankstown (part of), Cumberland, Parramatta and The Hills
- **West District** - Blue Mountains, Hawkesbury and Penrith
- **South West District** – Camden, Campbelltown, Fairfield, Liverpool and Wollondilly.

### Option B - East Workshop

- 3-5pm Thursday 6 October
- SMC Conference & Function Centre  
66 Goulburn St, Sydney CBD

The venue is disability accessible with accessible toilets and is located near Town Hall train station which is disability accessible.

For associations/ organisations covering the following district/ council areas:

- **Central District** - Botany Bay, Burwood, Canada Bay, Inner West, Randwick, Strathfield, City of Sydney, Waverley and Woollahra
- **North District** - Hornsby, Hunters Hill, Ku-ring-gai, Lane Cove, Northern Beaches, Mosman, North Sydney, Ryde and Willoughby
- **South District** - Georges River, Rockdale, Canterbury-Bankstown (part of) and Sutherland.

Please contact David Bremner on 8289 6200 to discuss any accessibility requirements you may have.