Priority Precincts help provide housing and jobs close to public transport, shops and services, making life more convenient and enjoyable.

These areas are generally located around transport corridors or strategic centres and have broad social, economic and environmental significance for the community. Priority Precincts are coordinated by state and local government to deliver jobs, transport and more homes that are better planned.

Why is this precinct of interest?
Westmead is a strategic health and education precinct connected to existing public transport, including the Western and Cumberland train lines and frequent and efficient bus services to the Parramatta and Sydney CBDs. It takes under three minutes to reach the Parramatta CBD by train. In addition, the future light rail will service Westmead, making it suitable for the location of increased housing, employment and services.

How will infrastructure be planned and funded?
With increased population and more housing, infrastructure and open space are needed. Councils deliver infrastructure such as local roads and parks which are funded by council rates or by developers.

When more significant state infrastructure, such as emergency services, schools, state and district roads, district open space and public transport facilities, are needed, the Planning Minister will consider declaring the precinct a Special Contribution Area. This means infrastructure will be funded by developers through a Special Infrastructure Contribution (SIC).

What are the benefits to the community?
Providing housing and jobs close to public transport, shops and services makes life more convenient and enjoyable. Providing a range of housing types helps people live close to family and friends, no matter what their life stage.

Better coordination across government helps ensure infrastructure such as schools, parks, community facilities, public transport and road upgrades is delivered to support community needs.

How can the community get involved?
We will work closely with the community, councils and other stakeholders on a range of opportunities to participate in planning for each precinct. This includes surveys, project updates, social media, public events, face to face meetings and formal submissions.

Before we start preparing plans we’d like to hear from you about what you value in your area, what works well and what could be improved.

Come along to a drop-in session to find out more about the planning process and share your ideas:
Wentworthville Community Centre
2 Lane Street Wentworthville
Thursday 20 July, 5pm-8pm

For more information or to sign up for project updates, visit planning.nsw.gov.au/newpriorityprecincts, like our Facebook page or email community@planning.nsw.gov.au
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