Riverwood
Priority Precinct Fact Sheet

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?
Riverwood is well-connected to public transport, including the Inner West train line and frequent bus services. It takes under 25 minutes to reach the Sydney CBD by train from this precinct, making it suitable for increased housing supply.

Government’s investment in the renewal of the Riverwood Estate will be a catalyst for renewal for the station precinct also.

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 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 and reduces traffic congestion. 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 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:
Punchbowl Community Centre
44 Rossmore Street Punchbowl
Saturday 5 August, 11am -2pm

For more information or to sign up for project updates, visit planning.nsw.gov.au/newpriorityprecincts or like our Facebook page.
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Priority Precinct Process

1. Community consultation.
2. A working group is set up with Council and state agencies.
3. Department commissions specialist studies and consults with the community and landowners.
4. The precinct plans are exhibited and the community are encouraged to make a submission.
5. The final report is prepared and a recommendation is made to the Minister for Planning based on the feedback.
6. Determination is made by the Minister for Planning.