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## **NSW Government and Council working together on strategic review in Lane Cove**

Lane Cove Council and the Department of Planning and Infrastructure today announced that they are working in partnership on a strategic review of the Mowbray Road precinct in Lane Cove North, to examine whether the current planning controls are appropriate.

The review will examine the development potential and infrastructure needs of the precinct, which is bounded by Mowbray Road, Centennial Avenue, Batten Reserve and Willandra Street. A project control group, with representatives from both Council and the Department, has been formed to guide the direction of the review process.

Deputy Director-General of the Department of Planning and Infrastructure, Tom Gellibrand, said the review would carefully consider both the environmental constraints of the precinct and existing infrastructure, such as roads.

“The Department clearly recognises that local government is a key partner in planning for NSW and this strategic review is a demonstration of our approach to working with local government,” Mr Gellibrand said.

“The review will commission independent experts to examine the development potential and infrastructure needs of the precinct. This will involve studies by specialist consultants on issues including traffic, access and infrastructure in emergency situations.”

Lane Cove Council General Manager Peter Brown said: “We are encouraged by the Department’s approach to this issue. Both the Department and Council are committed to the preservation of bushland in the corridor along Stringybark Creek and this is a given in the review process.”

The Department will await the findings, conclusions and recommendations of the strategic review before making any decisions about whether to progress a Council planning proposal to rezone the area that has already been submitted to the Department.

The review may also guide the evaluation of future development applications within the precinct.

The community will be kept informed about the progress of the review through updates on the Department and Council websites. It is anticipated the review will be completed before the end of the year.

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