Monday, 25 March 2013

**Have your say about the North West Rail Link corridor strategy**

The NSW Government today invited residents to four consultation sessions so they can learn more, and have their say, about the North West Rail Link (NWRL) corridor strategy.

Department of Planning and Infrastructure Director-General Sam Haddad said the sessions are part of a NSW Government move to improve consultation on important planning blueprints, such as this corridor strategy.

There is potential for about 27,400 new homes and nearly 50,000 new jobs near eight new NWRL train stations at Cudgegong Road, Rouse Hill, Kellyville, Bella Vista, Norwest, Showground, Castle Hill and Cherrybrook.

An overall 25-year NWRL corridor strategy has been produced, along with draft structure plans outlining proposals for new housing, jobs and transport connections in the eight station precincts.

Mr Haddad said that the corridor strategy aims to create sustainable, well connected, liveable communities, close to jobs, transport and facilities.

“Sydney is growing and we need to provide the infrastructure, the housing and the jobs to meet that growth,” Mr Haddad said.

“It makes sense to place this growth alongside major new transport infrastructure, such as the North West Rail Link.

“Now we want to engage with the community face-to-face so we deliver the right mix of housing, employment opportunities and community infrastructure.”

The strategy is on public exhibition until 30 April 2013 and drop-in sessions will be held so that residents can discuss the proposal with a planner.

Drop-in sessions will be held at the following locations and times with 15 minute presentations provided every hour:

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<td>77 Castle St, Castle Hill</td>
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<td>Margaret Catchpole Room,</td>
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<td>Crowne Plaza Norwest</td>
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Cherrybrook Uniting Church | 134 New Line Road, Cherrybrook | 10am–1pm, Saturday 13 April


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