

4 CONSULTATION

A formal Planning Focus Meeting was conducted on 7 February 2006. This meeting was convened by the DoP, who invited all relevant government authorities to attend and advise of their specific requirements or concerns in relation to the evolving Concept Plan and process. Additional stakeholder consultation meetings arranged independently by the proponent and their representatives include:

- University of Technology Sydney (UTS) – 28 October 2005
- DoP Metropolitan Branch – 7 November and 15 December 2005
- St Leonards Strategy – 15 December 2005 and 28 February 2006
- Heritage Office – 22 November 2005 and site visit on 20 December 2005
- Broadcast Australia – 8 February 2006
- DB REEF (adjacent owner) – 29 November 2005
- Post Office (adjacent owner) – 17 November and 1 December 2005
- Willoughby City Council – discussions in June/July 2005, subsequent meeting with senior officers on 8 December 2005, briefing with Council's Landscape Consultant on 19 December 2005 and 28 April 2006, and presentation to some officers and Councilors on 28 February 2006.
- Presentation to some officers and councilors of both Lane Cove and North Sydney Councilors on 28 Feb 2006
- Roads and Traffic Authority. - 19 December 2005
- TAFE (adjacent owner) – 27 February 2006
- Presentation to some residents and local landowners - 28 Feb 2006
- Energy Australia – 20 April and 1 May (on site) 2006.
- Sydney Buses and Department of Transport – 8 February 2006
- Sydney Water, AGL and Telstra – various telecons
- Civil Aviation and Safety Authority (CASA) – Consultation is ongoing with hospital helicopter pilots (Life Saver Helicopters) and consultation with CASA will be finalised prior to project approval.
- Department of Infrastructure and Natural Resources - 21 June 2006.

4.1 STRATEGY FOR FURTHER COMMUNITY CONSULTATION

In conjunction with public exhibition of the Concept Plan by the DoP, the proponent will host a dedicated web site containing the concept plan, all supporting reports such as traffic, noise, heritage etc. There will be summary information and a section answering frequently asked questions (FAQ's). The site will also contain links to the web sites of the DoP, Dept. of Health, the NSCCAHS and Councils. Submissions commenting on the Concept Plan will be invited to be directed to the responsible officer at DoP. Following completion of public exhibition, the proponent will request copies of all submissions from the DoP and will prepare a summary compiling all submissions and the proposed response/s to any issues raised.

An information flyer will be produced for staff, patients, local residents, general distribution and for display in the lobbies of the local Councils. This will give relevant E mail addresses.

Information will continue to be placed on the Area Health Service's intra net with links to the project web site mentioned above. Issues papers covering various aspects of the Concept Plan as they affect staff and patients have already been circulated and similar documents will continue to be circulated. A series of information boards will be on display in the lobby of the main hospital building and Willoughby Council.

At least two public information sessions will be held (probably on site) on weekends and/or evenings. These sessions will be open to all and will be widely notified. The final arrangements for the conduct of these sessions will be confirmed in consultation with DoP and Willoughby Council.

Briefings of stakeholders will continue.

