

URGENT ALERT FOR NCC MEMBER GROUPS re the NSW Review of planning legislation

Please note the following dates for consultation for Western Sydney, Central & Eastern Sydney and the South Coast & South West

Consultation for Western Sydney is starting THIS week.

Campbelltown 19.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Campbelltown RSL, Carberry Lane, Campbelltown
Bankstown 20.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Bankstown Sports Club, 8 Greenfield Parade, Bankstown
Liverpool 21.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Club Liverpool, 185 George St. Liverpool
Penrith 7.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Penrith RSL Club, 8 Tinsdale St. Penrith
Hills District 16.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Castle Hill Country Club, Spurway Drive, Baulkham Hills

Consultation for Central and Eastern Sydney

Sutherland 8.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Sutherland United Services Club, 7 East Parade, Sutherland
Warringah 9.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Manly Leagues Club, 563 Pittwater Rd Brookvale
Randwick 10.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Coogee Diggers, Cnr Carr & Byron Streets, Coogee
Ashfield 11.11.11 3 til 5pm and 6 til 7.30pm, Club Ashfield, 1-11 Charlotte St, Ashfield
Sydney City 14.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Faculty of Arch & Design, LT 1 Wilkinson Bldg, USYD

South Coast and South West

Nowra 24.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Shoalhaven Ex Services, Junction St. Nowra
Batemans Bay 25.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Batemans Bay Soldiers Club, Beach Rd, Batemans Bay
Merrimbula 26.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Merrimbula RSL, 52-54 Main St, Merrimbula
Cooma 27.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Cooma Ex Services, 106 vale Street, Cooma
Queanbeyan 20.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6 til 7.30pm, Queanbeyan Kangaroos Rugby League Club, Queanbeyan
Moss Vale 31.10.11 3 til 5pm & 6pm til 7.30pm, Moss Vale Services Club, Argyle St, Moss Vale
Goulburn 1.11.11 10.30am til 12noon, 3 til 5pm, 6 til 7.30pm, Soldiers Club, 15 Market St, Goulburn
Goulburn 2.11.11 10.30 til noon, Soldiers Club, Goulburn
Yass 2.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6pm til 7.30pm, Yass Soldiers Club, 86 Meehan St, Yass
Wagga 3.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6pm til 7.30pm, Wagga RSL, Dobbs St, Wagga
Albury 4.11.11 3 til 5pm & 6pm til 7.30pm, Commercaill Club, 618 Dean St, Albury

For more information on the NSW Planning review you can visit <http://planningreview.nsw.gov.au>

You can also access a briefing note from the Environmental Defenders Office at <http://www.edo.org.au/edonsw/site/papers.php>

As a guide below are the 10 principles which the EDO believes should inform and underpin a new approach to planning in NSW. These principles have been developed through the EDO's analysis and review of planning laws in recent years, including in relation to recent changes in 2011.

The principles are aimed at achieving ecologically sustainable development (ESD), and restoring balance, transparency and accountability to the planning system.

1. A focus on Strategic Planning
2. Implementing ecologically sustainable development (ESD)
3. Improving the objectivity, credibility and cumulative impact review of environmental impact assessment
4. Genuine, appropriate and timely public participation
5. Transparency and accountability for major public projects
6. Recognising the pre-eminent role of the Land and Environment Court
7. Applying a meaningful 'maintain or improve' test to key developments
8. Making planning law climate-ready
9. Ensuring integration with other environmental legislation
10. Regular review of the Act

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