

ATTACHMENT B

**COMMUNITY CONSULTATION BOARDS
AND DEVELOPED CONCEPT PLAN**

A valued open space

Quarry Green is to be upgraded, providing an improved neighbourhood open space for the local community.

Please join us on site for the community consultation day on Saturday 19th July between 10am - 12pm to share your views on the preliminary landscape concept design. Your feedback will help us shape the final landscape plan.

You can also view our concept design from Wednesday 2nd July until Monday 21st July 2014, on Council's website: www.sydneyyoursay.com.au

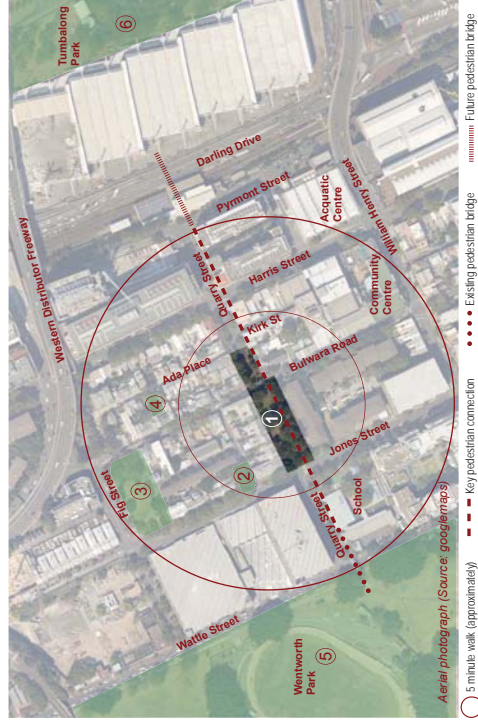
We would like to hear your comments either online or on the community consultation day.



Quarry Green existing site photo (Source: City of Sydney)

Your neighbourhood park

Quarry Green was developed from a street closure in 1981 and is one of four small parks and two regional parks in your local area. The concept design takes into account the character and facilities in all the surrounding parks to provide a network of complementary open spaces.



- 1. Quarry Green** - a peaceful neighbourhood park with trees, lawn and seating surrounded by historical buildings.
- 2. Quarry Lane Pocket Park** - an intimate shady space with raised gravel terraces and seating amidst planting.
- 3. Fig Lane Reserve** - a formal neighbourhood park with planting, open lawn, a playground (ages 2-12), picnic tables, bbq facilities, patios, walls and sandstone elements.
- 4. Ada Place Pocket Park** - a small green retreat nestled between residential buildings, with seating, shade amenity and local graffiti art.
- 5. Wentworth Park** - a large open space for recreation with exercise areas; a shaded playground (ages 5-12), the racing track and significant pedestrian links
- 6. Tumbalong Park / Darling Harbour / Chinese Gardens** - a regional park network with diverse gardens, playgrounds, water features, event spaces and informal recreation opportunities.



Quarry Green existing site photo (Source: City of Sydney)

Site Heritage

Historical Overview

Harris Street was named after Surgeon John Harris who was given several land grants in the area dating from 1803. He built a house named 'Ultimo' in 1804 close to the Parramatta Road end of Harris Street which became the namesake of this suburb today.

Quarry Street, Bulwara Road (previously called Crown Street) and many other streets in the area were created when the Harris Estate was subdivided in 1860. The west side of the Harris Estate was dominated by quarry activities and the remainder used for dairying paddocks around the delta of Blackwattle Creek.

The naming of Quarry Street was derived from the nearby quarrying activities, however the road itself was never used as a route for transporting sandstone. Instead sandstone was delivered to the city via a railway line that ran around the peninsula.

Formation of the Green

Quarry Green was formed out of the road closure of the central section of Quarry Street. Land was given to the City when the Country Producers Store site was redeveloped.

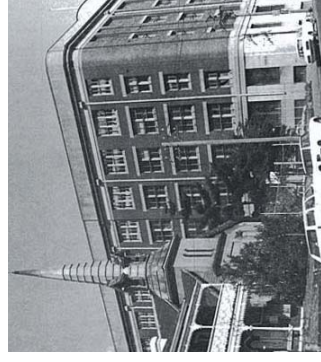
Part of the approval conditions for the development of the site was the granting of lots 1 and 2 facing Quarry Street as public reserve. In return, the City agreed to the closure of Burlinson Street (which ran parallel between Bulwara Road and Jones Street) to permit development.

The City prepared Landscape Plans for the 'Green' between 1981-82 and it was constructed in 1983. The current layout still reflects this design of pathways, turf areas and mix of native tree planting. The existing round brick planter bed within the park marks the site of the former junction of Burlinson and Quarry Street. The paperbacks street trees were planted in the 1970s

Ultimo Area

Quarry Street sits within the Ultimo Heritage Conservation Area which contains good examples of mid Victorian residential, commercial and institutional development. The buildings and street layout are a product of the historic development of Ultimo through the nineteenth and early to mid twentieth centuries as a direct result of the Harris & Macarthur Estate subdivision.

The combination of buildings around Quarry Green form a distinct social node reflected in the cluster of community buildings including the Uniting Church (formerly presbyterian) and the Lord Wolsley Hotel (1881). The Hotel was a focal point in the social life of the working class residents nearby. These community buildings remain an important element of the very close social environment that has characterised the area for a century.



Country Producers Store (Source: Michael Mathews, Pymont & Ultimo - a History, 1982)



Early sketch of the Uniting Church (formerly presbyterian) (Source: Michael Mathews, Pymont & Ultimo, 1982)



Quarry Green existing site photo (Source: Mark Goddard Collection, CoS Archives)

what you told us

Between February and June 2014, we consulted with key community stakeholders, door knocked residents fronting Quarry Green and sought community feedback via a survey.

The survey found that the park is well used by the local community and supports a mix of activities. There is widespread support for the park to be upgraded and improved.

The key aspiration were:

- to upgrade the park,
- retain its existing character, and
- improve its functionality.

These ideas and suggestions have helped shape the Concept Plan. We are now seeking further input from the local community to help us refine the design.

Aspects of the park most valued by the community include:

- A quiet and peaceful green space
- An important thoroughfare
- Community atmosphere
- A space for different community functions
- A green space where kids can play
- Trees and lush planting.
- A place to walk dogs
- A park that is used by various groups at different times of the day (school children / lunchtime workers by day and residents/dog walkers/pub patrons in the evening)

Ideas for improving the park include:

- Create a more contemporary landscape
- Improve pedestrian paths and brick paving
- Increase open lawn areas for recreation/events
- Maintain tree canopy and more tree planting
- Improve garden beds, integrate colour with native plants
- Provide opportunities for social activities (eg. picnics, risbee, etc.)
- Install more seating and benches
- Improve park lighting
- Integrate facilities for outdoor events (power)
- Install water bubblers
- Install dog facilities
- Retain community information board
- Investigate bbq facilities
- Respond to site heritage

Landscape Concept

Legend

- Project scope
- Existing layout
- Existing brick pavement
- Proposed brick pavement
- Proposed sandstone pavement at seating nodes
- Concrete
- Lawn
- New planting areas
- Proposed trees
- Existing trees to be retained
- Existing trees to be removed
- Cafe furniture
- Timber seating CoS heritage style
- Pole lights
- Bollard lights
- Power poles with existing overhead wires to remain
- Bollards: Removable if needed
- Drinking fountain
- Rubbish bins
- Existing post boxes
- Artist Impressions view direction



Plan

Key elements of the proposed concept include:

The Green:

1. An enlarged central green through the removal of six trees to provide sufficient space to host park festivals;
2. New power outlets to facilitate community events in the park, and sun.
3. Retention of the north facing grass embankment for lounging in the

Improved Circulation:

4. Extension of the Bulwara Road shared zone (10km/hr), repaved in brick to better link the two open spaces (pending RMS final approval);
5. A direct and generous east/west pedestrian path to better connect Quarry Green to Wentworth Park and Darling Harbour;
6. Raised brick pavement incorporating two driveway entries and tree planting to extend the park and improve eastern entry;
7. Paving extended outside cafes to Kirk Street; and
8. New link paths connecting building entries with the new east/west path.

Upgraded Park amenities:

9. Improved gathering spaces with new seating, planting and brick/sandstone pavements;
10. New lighting to make the area safer along primary and secondary paths;
11. Relocated community notice board for information and events; and
12. Upgrade to pavement and furniture for a consistent palette of materials across the park;

Additional Planting:

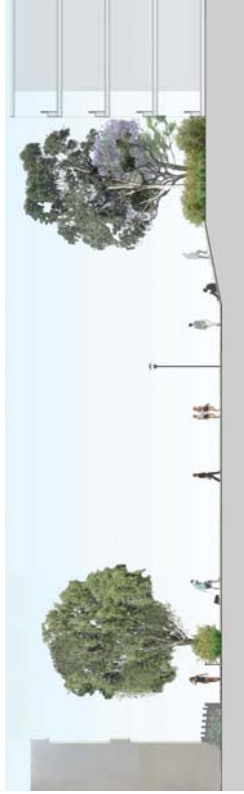
13. Planting eleven new trees throughout the park
14. New low planting beneath existing paperbark trees (*Melaleuca quinquinervia*) to provide an edge and remove brick trip hazard.
15. Upgrade to western entry embankment planting and removal of existing rockery;
16. Retaining some areas of existing planting beds to provide an edge and remove brick trip hazard.



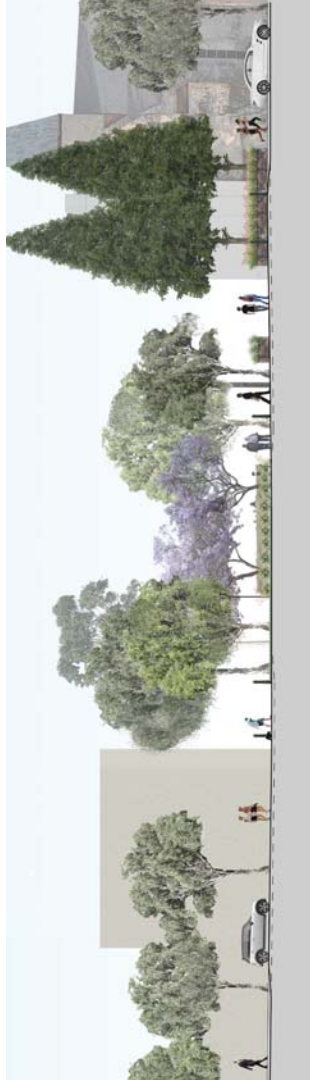
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Quarry Green Upgrade

Landscape concept sections and artist impressions



cross section BB



cross section CC



artist impression A: north east view towards Bulwara Road share zone and seating area

Landscape concept artist impression



artist impression B: easterly view towards church



artist impression C: westerly view over 'the green'



artist impression D: easterly view from west end of park

Project Timeline



Have Your Say

The proposed design will be on exhibition from Wednesday 2nd July - Monday 21st July and we would like to hear your comments:

On site Community Consultation Day
 Saturday 19 July 2014 between 10am - 12pm.
 Review the concept plans and speak with council staff. Complete a feedback form and return by Monday 21 July 2014.

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Website
 You can also provide feedback to Council on information displayed on the website until Monday 21 July 2014.

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