

FIVE FAST PLAYS TO TRANSFORM GREATER PARRAMATTA NOW



By 2040, Greater Parramatta will be home to more than 446,000 people. Our fast-growing global city is Greater Sydney's true centre, with more people expected to be living west than east of Parramatta in the next 15 years.

But it needs further government investment to unlock the housing and jobs of the future, better connect communities and realise the City's potential.

Our message to State and Federal Governments is clear:

THE FUTURE FOR GREATER PARRAMATTA IS NOW. WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?



PLAY 1. PARRAMATTA LIGHT RAIL STAGE TWO

PLR Stage 2 is the missing link to connect high growth communities like Wentworth Point, Sydney Olympic Park and Melrose Park to the Parramatta CBD and to transport interchanges for heavy rail, Metro and ferry services.

We welcome the NSW Government's election commitment to fast-track Stage 2. But commitment isn't enough to get it done.

**It's time to:
Deliver full funding for construction of PLR Stage 2 in the September 2023 Budget and fast track its delivery program**



PLAY 2. MORE STATIONS FOR METRO WEST

Metro West will be a gamechanger for our City and the communities along its path, doubling rail capacity and providing a 20 minute link between the Parramatta and Sydney CBDs when it opens in the 2030s. But only for communities genuinely connected to it.

There are just four stations planned for the Greater Parramatta and Olympic Peninsula (GPOP) and none between Parramatta and Sydney Olympic Park – one of the fastest growing areas of Sydney.

**It's time to:
Commit to two additional stations on the Metro West line and a feasibility study for future Metro lines in GPOP**



PLAY 3. A REVITALISED PARRAMATTA RIVER CORRIDOR

We want a global city with a green heart, and that heart is the river corridor which is just a 15 minute walk or cycle from 75 percent of the City's future growth.

It should be a world-class river parkland – a place where you can walk, swim and connect. The Barangaroo of the West.

Our vision includes a green, pedestrianised Civic Link that connects the river back to Parramatta's CBD, drawing the Central River City's defining feature closer to its economic hub.

**It's time to:
Fund infrastructure along Parramatta River and Civic Link**



PLAY 4.
**ACCELERATION OF WORK
 ON AN INDIGENOUS CENTRE
 OF EXCELLENCE**

We are a global city that is proud of its indigenous roots.

An Indigenous Centre of Excellence planned for WSU's Parramatta South campus, on Darug land, would put Western Sydney at the forefront of indigenous education, leadership and employment.

A funding commitment of \$78.5 million made through WestInvest will help establish the centre and further funding and collaboration could help amplify its impacts.

It's time to:
Deliver the funding for the Indigenous Centre of Excellence so work can begin as soon as possible



PLAY 5.
**A RESTORED
 ROXY THEATRE**

Parramatta deserves a true arts and cultural precinct anchored by the redeveloped Riverside Theatres, Powerhouse Parramatta and a restored Roxy Theatre.

The heritage-listed Roxy is a Parramatta icon. With construction underway on a nearby Metro Station, it's time to begin the work needed to restore the Roxy to its former glory.

It's time to:
Invest public funding to return this public icon of Parramatta into an arts and cultural space



'Parramatta is an economic powerhouse, growing fast and recognised as a unique destination in its own right. It's time to deliver on the investment priorities needed to meet the demands of our growing population and all who live, work and invest here.'

Cr Sameer Pandey
 City of Parramatta Lord Mayor

'Parramatta has been growing in leaps and bounds but its story is only just beginning. We need investment in our transport and cultural infrastructure to continue to ensure we fill in the missing pieces.'

David Borger
 Business Western Sydney
 Executive Director

'The city has done the hard yards in planning, major projects and development regulation to accommodate metropolitan growth, but it needs continued support if it is to carry the load as Sydney's second CBD. Great cities need great partnerships, and this targeted list of investment priorities will help Parramatta become more connected, more inclusive, more creative and more productive.'

Christopher Brown
 Western Sydney Leadership
 Dialogue Chairman

'Like the world's best cities, Parramatta thrives when its knowledge hubs are connected. Accelerating the delivery of planned transport links and civic infrastructure will unlock that potential.'

Professor Andy Marks
 Executive Director of WSU
 Centre for Western Sydney