

Summary of community engagement outcomes from 2018-2021

Thanks to your involvement in many community engagement activities over the last four years, we have heard about some of your priorities for the future of Hornsby Shire. This is a summary of broad community engagements that were carried out during Council's term and not specifically focused on the Community Strategic Plan.

Community feedback summary

- 15,417 people participated
- During 27 engagement projects on many topics
- Opportunities to speak with diverse range people (e.g. The Future Hornsby project involved Future Living Summit with Dr Karl Kruszelnicki, Youth Future Forum, Community River Cruise and so many pop-ups!)
- Via five phone surveys (including a Community Satisfaction Survey in 2021), face to face sessions, online surveys and forums, meetings and workshops.

The engagement revealed what was important to you – what issues you are concerned about Top ten topics...

1.	Healthy environment – trees, biodiversity, waterways and foreshores
2.	Managing population growth, over-development, increasing density, housing design and infrastructure planning
3.	Environmental sustainability, climate change mitigation, reducing waste and pollution
4.	Transport – traffic congestion, walking and cycling networks, wayfinding, roads, parking, public transport
5.	Community building – local shops, playgrounds, community groups, community facilities (multi-purpose facilities, libraries), accessible facilities and accessible parking, events
6.	Resilience – bushfire, extreme weather, food security, water supply
7.	Equity, social justice, governance, inclusiveness, affordable housing
8.	Aging, families and children
9.	Rural lands, agriculture, access to services and facilities, rural feel
10.	Place-based approaches, local character

Statement from the Next Generation

WE BELIEVE IN: A culturally diverse and inclusive Shire; with a global approach to sustainability, and a local sense of community. Where the values of the people are reflected in the actions of our leaders.

From the participants at the Youth Future Forum

Who got involved

- Residents and ratepayers in 22 activities
- Aged (over 65) in eight activities
- Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islanders in seven activities
- Youth (12-25 years) in seven activities
- Community groups and Non-Government Organisations in six activities
- Businesses in four activities
- Culturally and Linguistically Diverse communities in three activities
- Children (5-12 years) in two activities
- People living with a disability in two activities
- Sporting groups in two activities