

Draft Georges River LEP 2020

Community Engagement Summary Report

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1. Executive Summary

In April 2020, Georges River Council placed the draft Local Environmental Plan 2020 (draft LEP 2020) on public exhibition concurrently with the draft Local Housing Strategy and draft Inclusive Housing Strategy, seeking feedback from members of the community and anyone else with an interest in the future strategic direction of the Georges River local government area.

This report provides a summary of the activities and findings of the consultation undertaken by Georges River Council during the public exhibition to inform the final Georges River LEP 2020. The report explains the activities undertaken, provides statistical analysis of the feedback by topic, theme and suburb, and provides some examples of the submissions received from the community during the exhibition period.

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, a comprehensive communications and engagement program was developed by Council to provide opportunities for the community to receive information and speak with Council representatives regarding the draft LEP 2020. As a result of restrictions and advice from the Australian Government, the engagement program was modified and the exhibition period was extended by 16 days. Including the engagement extension, the draft LEP 2020 was exhibited from 1 April 2020 to 31 May 2020.

Council undertook consultation to inform and receive feedback from the community, which included:

- Letter notification to all property owners impacted by changes to the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area, Housing Investigation Areas, land acquisitions and heritage items
- Advertising through local newspapers, Facebook and Council website
- Preparation of fact sheets and FAQs to explain different elements of the LEP
- Videos explaining the proposed controls
- Public webinars which provided the community with the opportunity to ask questions and have their say on the draft LEP

During the exhibition period, Council received 1,153 submissions, with the three highest suburbs represented being Oatley, Kingsgrove and Lugarno. The topic areas that were most frequently commented on were:

- Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (510 submissions)
- General (282 submissions)
- Consultation (211 submissions)
- Open space acquisitions (175 submissions)
- Places of public worship (96 submissions).

People making submissions were asked whether they supported or objected to the draft LEP 2020, or were neutral. Of those who made a submission and expressed support or objection, 93.48% said they objected to what was proposed. Reasons for objections varied across topic areas, but typically related to:

- Proposed changes to the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area
- General objections to overdevelopment in the LGA
- Concerns about the timing and process of community consultation undertaken during the exhibition of the LEP, most specifically the impacts of COVID-19 on the consultation process
- Proposed open space acquisitions, predominantly in Kingsgrove.

Council will consider the feedback received during the public exhibition of the draft LEP. Responses to community submissions have been provided in a separate document titled "Response to Submissions – Key Themes". The final LEP will also take into account the need to ensure that the objectives, directions and actions of the relevant State Government plans and instruments, and strategic objectives of Council set out in the Georges River Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040 are achieved.

2. Introduction

The Local Environmental Plan is a legal document which controls land use and development in the local government area. It contains provisions such as land use zones, building heights, heritage and local provisions, such as landscaping.

The draft Georges River LEP 2020 will replace and harmonise the existing LEPs applicable to the former council areas of Kogarah and Hurstville (Hurstville Local Environmental Plan 1994, Hurstville Local Environmental Plan 2012 and Kogarah Local Environmental Plan 2012).

Once gazetted, LEP 2020 will also put into action the outcomes from the consultation undertaken by Council on the Georges River Local Strategic Planning Statement 2040 (LSPS 2040), by providing land use and development guidelines aligned with the objectives of the LSPS 2040.

The draft LEP 2020 has been informed by a number of supporting documents, including the draft Local Housing Strategy and draft Inclusive Housing Strategy, which set out the strategic direction for housing in the local government area over the next 20 years.

In April 2020, Georges River Council placed the draft LEP 2020 on public exhibition concurrently with the draft Local Housing Strategy and draft Inclusive Housing Strategy, seeking feedback from members of the community and anyone else with an interest in the future strategic direction of the Georges River local government area. This report provides a summary of the consultation undertaken and the feedback received by Council, including the submissions received for the two draft Strategies that also raise issues relating to the draft LEP 2020.

3. Consultation Process

Background and the LSPS

In 2019, Council endorsed the Georges River Local Strategic Planning Statement (LSPS 2040), which sets out the vision for the future of our local government area and will guide land use planning for the next 20 years. Over 500 residents and business operators participated in a series of workshops and surveys and told Council their suggestions for growth and the approach to guiding development within the Georges River LGA.

The community consultation, undertaken for the LSPS 2040, has informed the draft Local Environmental Plan 2020 (draft LEP 2020) prepared by Georges River Council.

The LSPS contains five theme areas:

Theme Area	Theme area summary
Access and Movement	A major issue was current traffic congestion and concern that further increases to housing density would add to this congestion. Related to this was considerable feedback about lack of parking facilities, especially for commuter travel. While there is an appetite for people to use public transport instead of personal vehicles, connectivity between key hubs in the LGA is a barrier. Improved walkability would be welcomed by many.
Infrastructure and community	There was very strong support for the development of Hurstville as a cultural hub and the benefits this could bring to creating an inclusive community. There was a desire to increase the level of indoor and outdoor sporting facilities available. Indoor facilities were seen as particularly lacking. Also important was making use of green space for activities like bush walking.
Housing and neighbourhoods	There is increasing support for the concept of higher density development linked to proximity to major centres and rail infrastructure. Development needs to be high quality and well-designed with sufficient open space, setbacks and parking. There is recognition that housing options are needed for the elderly and the young. Feedback from representatives from the property development industry suggested that the concept of medium density used in the LSPS needed revisiting.
Economy and centres	There is a sense that improvements to the areas will attract investment as part of the growth strategy and boost the local night-time economy. Parking and public transport access are key factors.
Environment and open space	Open space, parks and trees were the main focus of this theme. The message was to ensure new developments took account of people's need to access open space close to home, to maintain and improve current park facilities and to support growth in the tree canopy.

Original Communication and Engagement Program (Pre COVID-19)

Prior to the COVID-19 pandemic, a comprehensive communications and engagement program was developed by Council to provide opportunities for the community to receive information and provide feedback regarding the draft LEP 2020. The original program was planned to start on the 26 February 2020 and finish on 15 May 2020.

The original program was to use the following methods of engagement and communication:

Method	Details
Minimum 60 day community engagement program	Commencing on 26 February 2020 with the establishment of the LEP <i>Your Say</i> website
Exhibition period exceeding the statutory minimum 28 days	Exceeding the statutory minimum 28 day exhibition period specified in the Gateway Determination
Advertisements	Eight advertisements in the Leader newspaper
Brochure	Information brochure delivered to all property owners
Fact sheets	Plain English information on the following elements of the draft LEP 2020: - Local Environmental Plans overview - Dwellings houses - Dual occupancies - Medium density residential - High density residential - Mixed use in centres - Light industrial areas - Infrastructure zones - Landscaped areas - Foreshore areas - New local provisions - Heritage items
Targeted letters	Letters with relevant fact sheets sent to the following property owners: - Located within and immediately adjacent to the Housing Investigation Areas (HIAs) - Located within the proposed Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (FSPA) - Located within the areas proposed to be removed from the FSPA - Adjoining properties proposed to be removed from the existing FSPA - Identified to be acquired for open space or road widening that are not currently identified in the existing LEPs - Existing heritage item proposed to be removed from the heritage list - Existing heritage item whose item name is proposed to be amended - Affected by a change to the curtilage of an existing heritage item

Social Media	Facebook - notification of the exhibition period and outlining ways to access further information
Dedicated LEP telephone hotline and email address	To respond to individual enquiries and requests for information
Promotional video	Promotional video that explains what the draft LEP 2020 is and its purpose made available on Council's <i>Your Say</i> website in English, Mandarin and Cantonese
Online exhibition on Council's <i>Your Say</i> Website	Online resources providing the following: - The draft LEP 2020 and supporting documents - Online interactive LEP maps (IntraMaps) showing existing and proposed controls for all properties in the LGA
E-news updates and media releases	Regular e-news updates and media releases
Language access	- Details on how to access language assistance provided on all outgoing Council correspondences - Promotional video content in Mandarin and Cantonese
Council's Customer Service and library support	- Hard copy exhibition at Council's Customer Service and libraries - Council planning staff to respond to face-to-face enquiries at Council's Customer Service
Face-to-face information sessions	Six general sessions hosted across the five wards of the LGA and one topic-specific session for the FSPA.

Council's Response to COVID-19

Impacts of changes to consultation legislation by NSW Government

The communications and engagement program commenced on 26 February 2020 as planned with the establishment of the draft LEP 2020 project page on the Georges River *Your Say* website. Due to the public health restrictions associated with COVID-19, the NSW Government introduced a number of changes towards the end of March 2020 that impacted Council's original consultation program.

On 25 March 2020, Section 10.18 of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act (EP&A Act) 1979 was enacted with relation to the public inspection of documents during the COVID-19 pandemic. This enabled all NSW councils to make public exhibition materials available digitally on council's websites, instead of the former requirements of making documents available for public inspection at a physical location such as at the administrative offices or public libraries.

The NSW Government also introduced restrictions on public gatherings on 30 March 2020. In compliance with the Public Health Order, all proposed engagement activities to be undertaken within Council's libraries and the Council Customer Service centre were cancelled as well as all face-to-face engagement activities, including the planned information sessions.

Council's revised engagement program

In response to these restrictions, Council implemented a revised engagement program with additional engagement activities aimed at extending the consultation reach to as many property owners as practicable. Council's formal exhibition of the draft LEP 2020 ran for 61 days, from 1 April 2020 to 31 May 2020, exceeding the 28 day statutory minimum. The consultation was originally intended to finish on 15 May 2020, however the combination of the COVID-19 public health restrictions and requests from the community for additional time to consider the draft LEP 2020, resulted in Council extending the exhibition period and making some changes to the original planned consultation activities.

The restrictions resulted in the following changes or additions:

Original Method	Details	COVID Response
Minimum 60 day community engagement program	Commencing on 26 February 2020 with the establishment of the LEP <i>Your Say</i> website	96 day community engagement program
Exhibition period exceeding the statutory minimum 28 days	Exceeding the statutory minimum 28 day exhibition period specified in the Gateway Determination	Extension of the statutory exhibition period from 15 May 2020 to 31 May 2020, equating to a public exhibition period of 61 days in total
Advertisements	Eight advertisements in the Leader newspaper	Undertaken as planned
Brochure	Plain English information brochure delivered to all property owners	Undertaken as planned
Fact sheets and Frequently Asked Question sheets	Plain English information on the following key elements of the draft LEP 2020: 1. Local Environmental Plans overview 2. Dwellings houses 3. Dual occupancies 4. Medium density residential 5. High density residential 6. Mixed use in centres 7. Light industrial areas 8. Infrastructure zones 9. Landscaped areas 10. Foreshore areas 11. New local provisions 12. Heritage items	- Undertaken as planned - Additional FAQ sheets for the following topics responding to common enquiries received from the community during the exhibition period: 1. Land acquisition 2. Vegetation and tree protection 3. Foreshore scenic protection area 4. Water sensitive urban design 5. Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Precinct 6. Unanswered questions from digital webinars 7. How to use IntraMaps
Targeted letters	Letters with relevant fact sheets sent to the following property owners:	Undertaken as planned

	· Located within and immediately adjacent to the Housing Investigation Areas (HIAs) · Located within the proposed Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (FSPA) · Located within the areas proposed to be removed from the FSPA · Adjoining properties proposed to be removed from the existing FSPA · Identified to be acquired for open space or road widening that are not currently identified in the existing LEPs · Existing heritage items proposed to be removed from the heritage list · Existing heritage item whose item name is proposed to be amended · Affected by a change to the curtilage of an existing heritage item	
Social Media	· Facebook - notification of the exhibition period and outlining ways to access further information	· Undertaken as planned
Dedicated LEP telephone hotline and email address	· To respond to individual enquiries and requests for information	· Undertaken as planned · Hard copies of the draft LEP 2020 and supporting documents were mailed upon request to customers.
Promotional Video	· Promotional video that explains what the draft LEP 2020 is and its purpose made available on Council's <i>Your Say</i> website in English, Mandarin and Cantonese	· Undertaken as planned · Creation of an additional 30-minute informational video providing detailed information of the draft LEP 2020 uploaded to Council's website
Online exhibition on Council's <i>Your Say</i> website	Online resources providing the following: · The draft LEP 2020 and supporting documents · Online interactive LEP maps (IntraMaps) showing existing and proposed controls for all properties in the LGA	· Undertaken as planned · Additional FAQ sheets, informational video and webinar presentations uploaded on Council's website

E-news updates and media releases	Regular e-news updates and media releases	Undertaken as planned
Language access	- Detail on how to access language assistance provided on all outgoing Council correspondences - Promotional video content in Mandarin and Cantonese	Undertaken as planned
Council's Customer Service and library support	- Hard copy exhibition of documentation at Council's Customer Service and libraries; - Council planning staff to take face-to-face enquiries at Council's Customer Service counter	- Council's public enquiry counter and library closed to public access - Council's Customer Service reopened on 20 May with hard copies of the exhibition material available and Council planning staff available to take face-to-face enquiries
Face-to-face information sessions	To be held in various locations across the five wards of the LGA comprising of six general sessions and one topic-specific session to target the proposed changes to the FSPA	- All seven public information sessions were cancelled - Hosting of three digital webinars consisting of one FSPA-specific session and two general topic sessions to listen and respond to questions from the community - Webinar presentations were recorded and uploaded onto Council's <i>Your Say</i> website as an additional resource

Refer to Section 4. Consultation Activities for details on the activities undertaken.

Consultation Program Timeline

The program timeline for the preparation and gazettal of the Georges River Council LEP 2020 is as follows:

Dates	Major program milestone
10 March 2020	Gateway Determination received by Council
1 April 2020	Formal public exhibition commences
31 May 2020	Formal public exhibition closes
June 2020	Review of engagement feedback
25 June 2020 and 26 June 2020	Outcomes of Public Exhibition and Finalisation of Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2020 reported to the Georges River Local Planning Panel
30 June 2020	Forward the draft LEP 2020 to the Minister for gazettal
Anticipated date in accordance with the Gateway Determination – December 2020	Gazettal of the Georges River LEP 2020

4. Consultation Activities

To support the public exhibition of the draft LEP 2020, a number of activities were provided by Council for people to access information, provide feedback as well as make a formal submission. These activities included a dedicated phone line and email address, a dedicated *Your Say* website page accessed via Council's website, Facebook posts, fact sheets and Frequently Asked Question sheets explaining different elements of the LEP, newspaper advertisements, videos and online webinars. Further details on these activities are outlined below.

Statistics from Council's 'Your Say' website



8,690

Total visits to the project page



6,160

Downloads of videos and documents from *Your Say* website



350

Registrations to receive project updates

Statistics from Council's Facebook page



26,912

reach (number of unique users who have had content from the Facebook posts on their screen)



245

Comments



217

Clicks



149

Interactions – likes, dislikes, anger



47

Shares

Additional statistics



229

Phone calls to hotline



682

Emails received



8

Newspaper notifications



3

Public webinar sessions



1153

Formal submissions

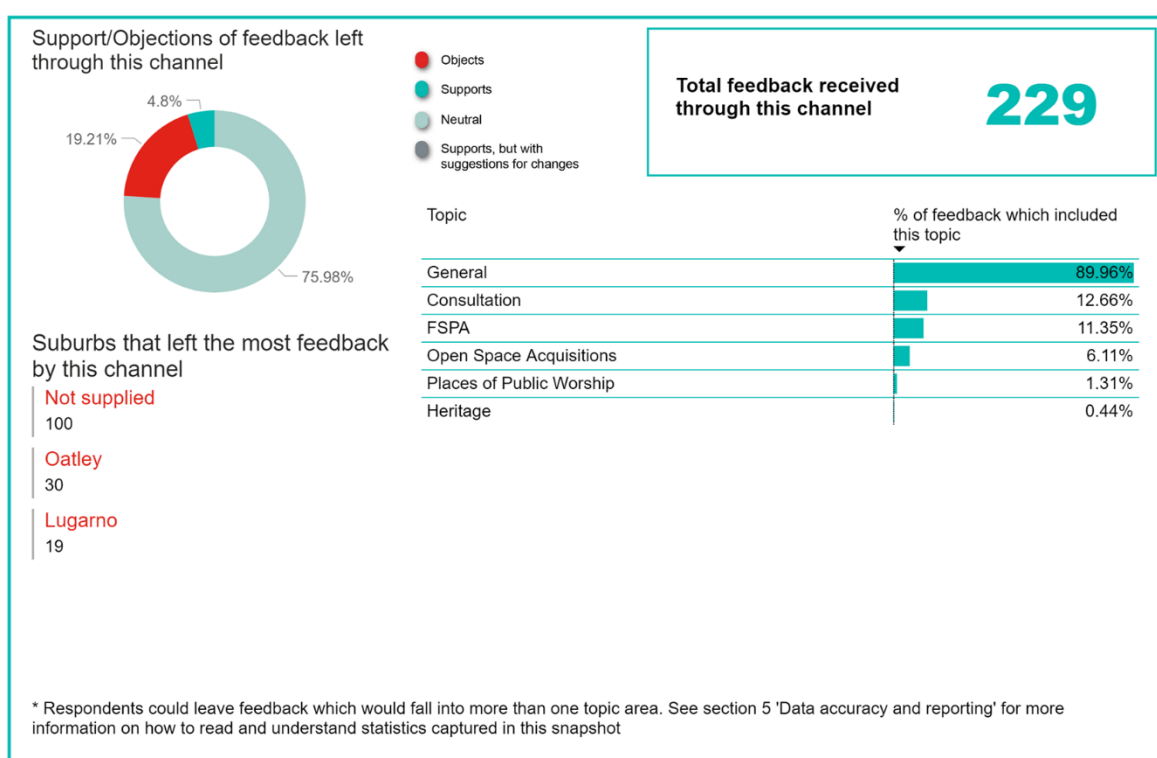
LEP 2020 phone line

A dedicated phone line (02 9330 6211) was made available for the community to call Council officers specifically in relation to the draft LEP 2020 (weekdays from 8.30am until 5.00pm) from 1 April 2020 until 31 May 2020. Staff responded to 229 calls about the draft LEP 2020.

Most callers were largely “neutral” in response to being asked about whether they supported or objected to the draft LEP 2020. This is to be expected, as most calls to the phone line (199 of the 229) were from people requesting more information, rather than calling to express a view.

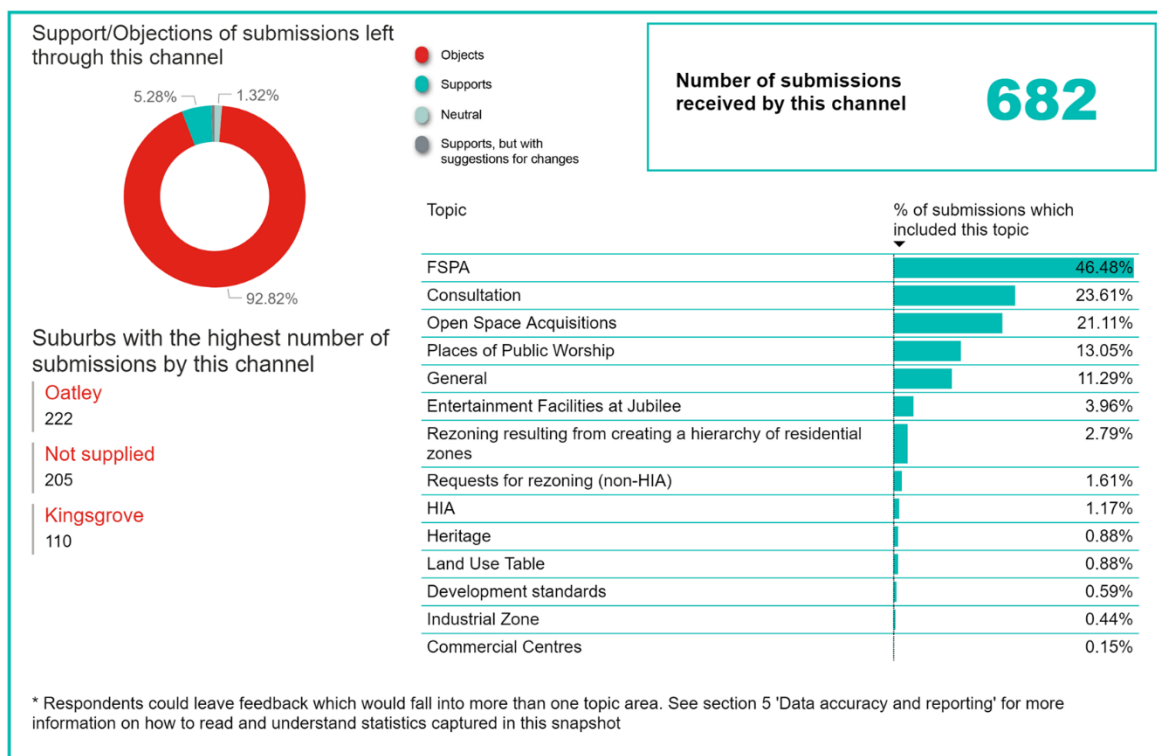
This feedback was not included as a formal submission on the LEP, with those that contacted Council by this means encouraged to make a submission by email, mail or through the *Your Say* website.

For the rest of the report, the feedback as listed in the snapshot below is removed from all aggregate statistics and reporting.



LEP email address

A dedicated email address was created (lep@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au) so the community could email submissions to Council between 1 April 2020 and 31 May 2020. Council received 682 emails with submissions. The main topics covered in the emails were Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (47%), Consultation (24%) and Open Space Acquisitions (21%).



Customer Service Enquiries

Due to the COVID-19 public health restrictions the closure of Council offices and libraries was a necessity for the majority of the exhibition period. The number of in person enquiries was much lower than the numbers for other engagement channels.

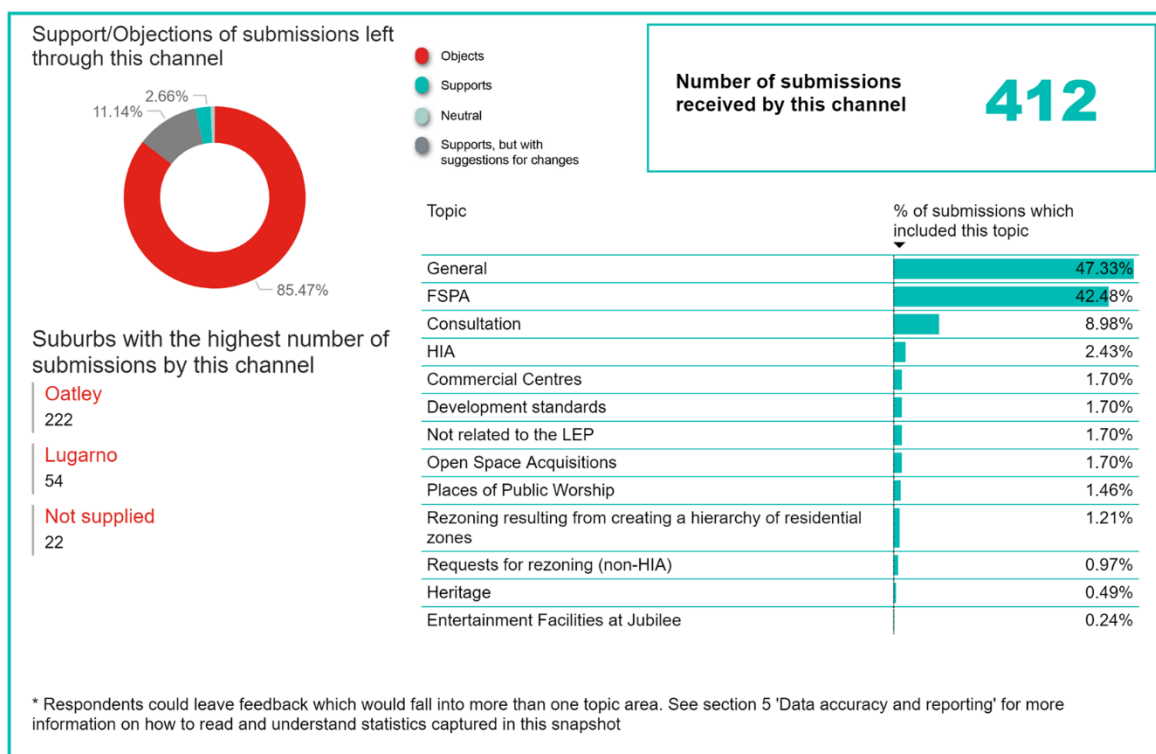
Council reopened the Customer Service Centre on 20 May 2020, and between 20 May and 31 May received two enquiries in person.

Your Say website

There were 8,690 individual visits to Council's *Your Say* website. As a result of those visits, 6,160 documents were downloaded or viewed (note, one person could download several documents). Approximately 352 people registered to receive project updates and 766 people watched the promotional video.

A comprehensive breakdown of document downloads is included in Appendix 1 and 2.

Submissions could be lodged through the *Your Say* website. 412 submissions were lodged through the website. These submissions predominantly related to the topic areas of General (47%), Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (42%), and Consultation (9%).



Facebook

Council provided 12 posts about the draft LEP 2020 on the Council Facebook site between 1 April and 31 May 2020. The following is a summary of the analytics from these posts:

- 26,912 reach (number of unique users who have had content from the Facebook posts on their screen)
- 245 comments
- 217 clicks
- 149 interactions – likes, dislikes, anger
- 47 shares

The Facebook site was monitored and requests for information were responded to by private message. As an example, requests for a hard copy of the draft LEP 2020 document was handled privately so the customer's name and address details could be collected for posting.

People interacting with the Facebook site were encouraged to make formal submissions via the lep@georgesriver.com.au email or via the *Your Say* website.

The majority of comments on Facebook raised similar topics as those raised in the submissions:

- Concern about the exhibition occurring during the COVID 19 pandemic
- Requests for the exhibition period time to be extended
- Concern about the removal of properties from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area
- Concern about potential for increased development in some locations as a result of the proposed changes under the draft LEP 2020

Feedback through Facebook was not considered as a formal submission, although Council has reviewed and considered the summary of comments made. Commenters were encouraged to lodge a formal submission by email or through the *Your Say* website.

Frequently asked question information sheets

The questions raised by the community in Facebook comments were considered alongside other enquiries received during the course of the consultation program. A total of seven frequently asked question (FAQ) information sheets were prepared and made publicly available on the *Your Say* website in response to various questions raised in relation to the following key topics:

- Land acquisition
- Vegetation and tree protection
- Foreshore scenic protection area
- Water sensitive urban design
- Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Precinct
- Unanswered questions from digital webinars
- How to use IntraMaps

Newspaper

Ads providing details on where to find information, how to register for the webinars and provide feedback on the draft LEP 2020 were placed in the Leader newspaper on the following dates:

- 1 April 2020
- 15 April 2020
- 22 April 2020
- 29 April 2020
- 6 May 2020
- 13 May 2020
- 20 May 2020
- 27 May 2020

Copies of the newspaper notifications can be found in Appendix 3 – Newspaper Notifications.

Promotional Video

A promotional video that explains what the draft LEP 2020 is and its purpose was made publicly available on the *Your Say* website in:

- English – 543 views
- Mandarin – 86 views
- Cantonese – 137 views

Informational Video

Council's intention was to provide a presentation on the draft LEP 2020 at each of the seven public information sessions across the Georges River Council area. Following recommendations by the Australian Government, and in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, Council cancelled all events and engagement activities for a rolling four week period. Instead, to inform the community, Council prepared an informational video that provided details about the specific changes included in the draft LEP 2020 in the form of a PowerPoint presentation with a voice over from Meryl Bishop, Director of Environment and Planning.

This informational video was made publicly available on the *Your Say* website and was viewed 212 times.

Webinars

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic restrictions on gatherings and social contact, Council's plans for public consultation meetings were required to be significantly modified. In response Council prepared and delivered three two hour online webinars for the public via a digital platform GoToWebinar. Recordings of the webinars were made available for download on Council's *Your Say* website.

Webinar dates and numbers of attendees:

Date and topic	Number of Attendees	Post Webinar views
19 May 2020 – Foreshore Scenic Protection Area presentation and Q&A session	47	13
26 May 2020 – LEP 2020 general presentation and Q&A session	41	3
27 May 2020 – LEP 2020 general presentation and Q&A session	43	6

5. Data, reporting and themes

Data accuracy and reporting

Council reviewed and analysed all submissions received. To better understand the feedback that the community provided, the content of the submissions was grouped by detailed themes which were then collected under a more general topic area. See subsection 'Submissions by topic and by theme' for a complete list of themes and topics.

The graphs and statistics on the following pages display summaries of each topic by the themes within that topic. The contents of a submission is non-exclusive, which means the submission can include content that falls under more than one theme or topic area. Some submissions contained feedback that could be included in up to seven theme areas. Each submission will be included in every relevant theme or topic area. Therefore, often throughout this report the sum of the percentage of themes within a topic will be greater than 100%. This is because a submissions contents may be counted multiple times under different themes.

Some **examples** of how submissions are reported:

Example Situation A

A submission about the *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area* includes comments that are relevant to three themes. These themes all fall within the *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area* topic. The themes within this example submission are categorised as:

Topic	Theme
Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the built environment
Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the natural environment
Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the removal of properties in the FSPA – inadequate justification for the boundary amendment or no reason provided
Counted in 1 Topic	Counted in 3 Themes

This one submission is therefore counted once for each of the themes mentioned (it is counted three times in total). The submission is only counted once for the *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area* topic. The submission is not counted to any other topic because all themes are within the same topic.

Example Situation B

A submission includes comments which are themed in multiple topic areas:

Topic	Theme
Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the built environment
Consultation	Raises concerns regarding the availability and transparency of information
Counted in 2 Topics	Counted in 2 Themes

The first theme is under the *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area* topic, the second theme is under the *Consultation* topic. Therefore, this feedback would be captured under two themes and under two topics.

Example Situation C

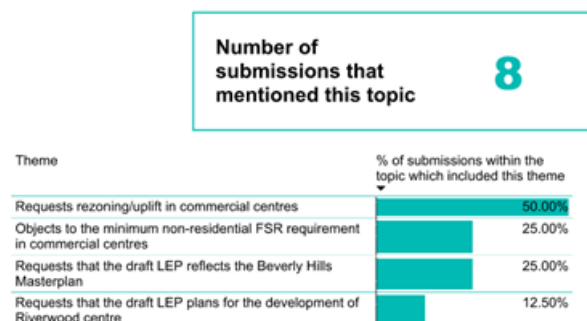
A submission includes comments about *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area*. The submission only fits within one theme:

Topic	Theme
Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the built environment
Counted in 1 Topic	Counted in 1 Theme

This submission will be counted once under the theme and once under the *Foreshore Scenic Protection Area* topic.

How to read a summary snapshot:

- Number of submissions that mentioned this topic:
Displays the number of individual submissions that had content relevant to this topic i.e. 8 total.
- % of submissions within the topic which included this theme: shows a percentage value of how many submissions (from the 8 total) that included these themes. In this case, the themes add up to greater than 100% because one submission included content which was categorised under two themes.



Local Housing Strategy and Inclusive Housing Strategy submissions

The draft Local Housing Strategy and draft Inclusive Housing Strategy were exhibited concurrently with the draft LEP 2020. Submissions received in relation to these strategies that included feedback which was specific to a topic or theme area in this report have also been considered as part of the draft LEP 2020 review process.

Duplicate Submissions

In a number of instances, Council received the same submission more than once, via several channels, from the same submitter. For example, a submission which has been emailed to the LEP email address might also be emailed to the General Manager and the Mayor. All submissions were carefully analysed by Council as part of the review process to remove any duplicate submissions. In cases where the author was the same, but the content was different, this was treated as two unique submissions (and adds to the total number of submitters). If the author could not be identified, but the submission was the same, this was also treated as two unique submissions.

As people were not required to identify themselves when making a submission, it is possible that some duplicates have been retained. In total 254 duplicate submissions were identified and removed.

Late Submissions

Council received 30 submissions after the closing date (31st of May, 11.59pm). These have not been considered as part of the LEP review process.

Submissions by topic and by theme

Submissions received by Council were grouped into one of 15 topic areas, and then into a further 52 theme areas. The topic areas are shown in bold below and numbered 1 to 15 while the themes are listed under each topic area as a dot point.

1 - Commercial Centres

- Objects to the minimum non-residential FSR requirement in commercial centres
- Requests rezoning/uplift in commercial centres
- Requests that the draft LEP plans for the development of Riverwood centre
- Requests that the draft LEP reflects the Beverly Hills Masterplan

2 - Consultation

- Requests amendments to the timing of the exhibition
- Requests for the housing strategies to be placed on exhibition prior to the draft LEP
- Raises concerns regarding the availability and transparency of information
- Raises concerns that the community were not notified of the proposed changes in the draft LEP during the LSPS consultation
- Supports Council's community engagement program for the draft LEP

3 - Development Standards

- Requests amendments to the floor space ratio for dwelling houses
- Requests amendments to the minimum lot size for dual occupancies

4 - Entertainment facilities at Jubilee

- Objects to permitting entertainment facilities at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Precinct

5 - Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (FSPA)

- Objects to the retention of their property within the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area
- Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the built environment
- Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the natural environment
- Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – inadequate justification for the boundary amendment or no reason provided
- Raises concerns regarding the feasibility of development in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area
- Raises concerns that the number of properties proposed to be removed from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area was not provided in the fact sheet
- Raises concerns that the waterways have been included in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area
- Supports the removal of properties from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area

6 - General

- Objects to draft LEP - no reason provided
- Objects to overdevelopment
- Requests a public hearing
- Raises concerns that the Planning Proposal Authority is the Local Planning Panel rather than Council
- Requests for better designed developments
- Requests increasing the landscaping requirements
- Supports draft LEP – no reason provided

7 - Heritage

- Objects to amended description of heritage item
- Requests heritage inventory sheet to be amended
- Requests heritage item to be removed

8 - Housing Investigation Areas (HIAs)

- Objects to the Culwulla Street – South Hurstville HIA
- Objects to the Hillcrest Avenue – Hurstville HIA
- Supports the Hillcrest Avenue – Hurstville HIA
- Objects to the North and West of Peakhurst Park – Peakhurst HIA
- Requests amendments to the North and West of Peakhurst Park - Peakhurst HIA
- Supports the North and West of Peakhurst Park – Peakhurst HIA
- Objects to the Rowe Street – South Hurstville HIA
- Requests amendments to the Apsley Estate – HIA

9 - Industrial Zone

- Objects to changes to IN2 zone

10 - Land Use Table

- Objects to the permissibility of restaurants, cafes and small bars in the R4 zone
- Objects to the permissibility of small bars and function centres in the B6 zone

11 - Not related to the LEP

- Not related to the LEP

12 - Open Space Acquisitions

- Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Culwulla Street, South Hurstville
- Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Hedley Street and Keith Street, Peakhurst (adjacent to Peakhurst Park)
- Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove (adjacent to Peter Low Reserve)
- Supports the proposed open space acquisition at Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove (adjacent to Peter Low Reserve)

13 - Places of Public Worship

- Objects to the prohibition of places of public worship in the R2 zone
- Requests additional sites containing places of public worship be included in Schedule 1
- Supports the prohibition of places of public worship in the R2 zone

14 - Requests for rezoning (non-HIA)

- Requests a spot rezoning (site specific)
- Requests a spot rezoning (zone specific)

15 - Rezoning resulting from creating a hierarchy of residential zones

- Objects to the rezoning of land from R3 to R4 to create a hierarchy of residential zones

Additional non-themed submissions

Approximately 33 submissions made during the draft LEP 2020 exhibition have not been included under any theme or topic area because the issues raised by the respondent were either unspecific to a theme and could not be categorised into support or objection. Or they were very specific and did not fall into any theme area.

These submissions have still been considered by Council in the draft LEP 2020 review process and have been responded to as part of the submissions table which is provided in a separate document to this report. These submissions have not been included in this report to maintain the weight and relevance of submissions which were of concern to a larger portion of the community.

6. Summary of Submissions

Submissions received by suburb

Submissions were received from all suburbs across the LGA. While it was not possible to identify which suburb every submission came from (people were not required to provide a postcode when making a submission), of the 1,153 submissions where the suburb was provided, Oatley, Kingsgrove and Lugarno were the suburbs from where the greatest number of submissions originated.

21% (242) of submissions were provided without the respondent identifying their suburb.

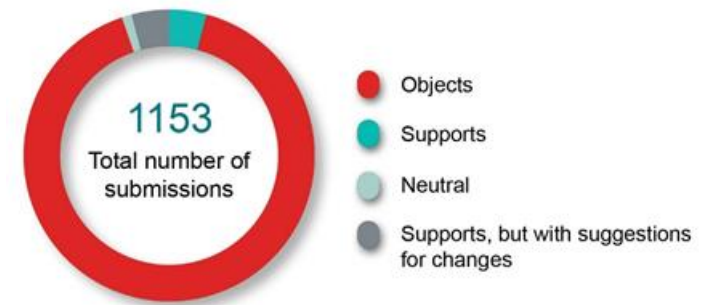
The suburbs with the highest proportion of objections to the draft LEP 2020 were:

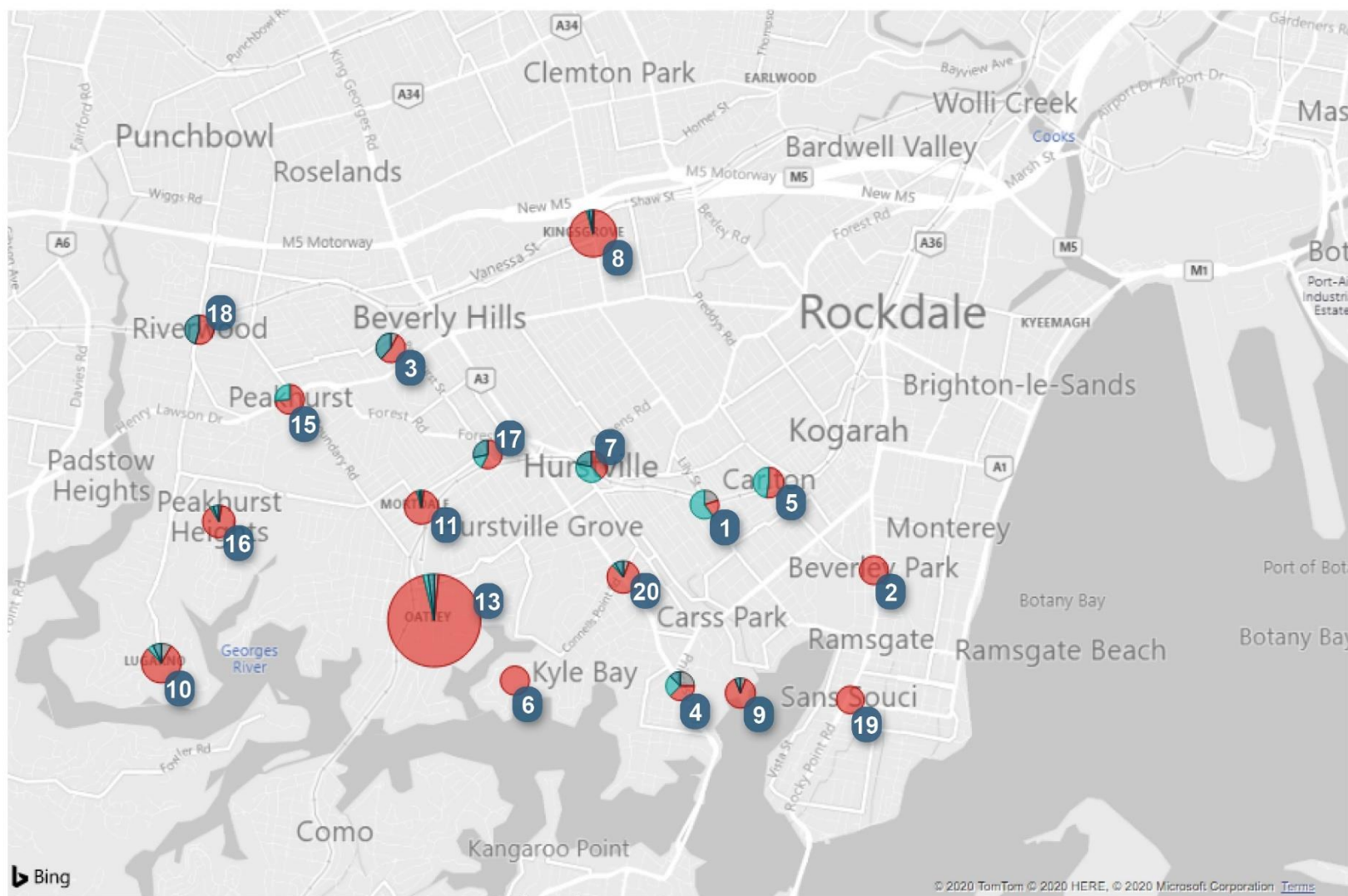
- Beverley Park
- Sans Souci
- Connells Point – Kyle Bay
- Oatley
- Kingsgrove
- Mortdale
- Kogarah Bay – Carss Park

The suburbs with the highest proportion of support for the draft LEP 2020 were:

- Allawah
- Carlton
- Hurstville
- Blakehurst

A table and map that provide a breakdown of responses by suburb and their support/objection to the LEP are provided on the next two pages.

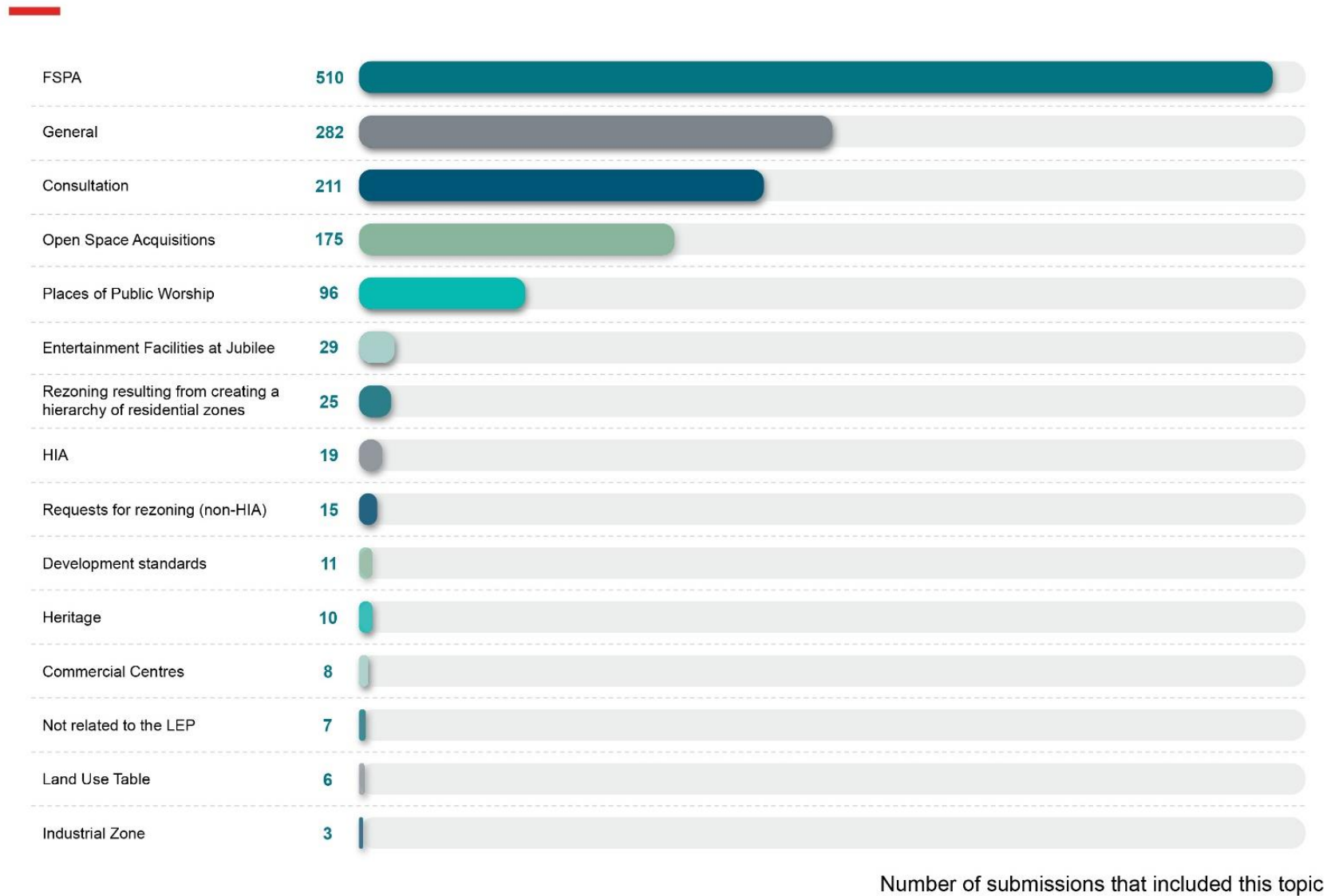




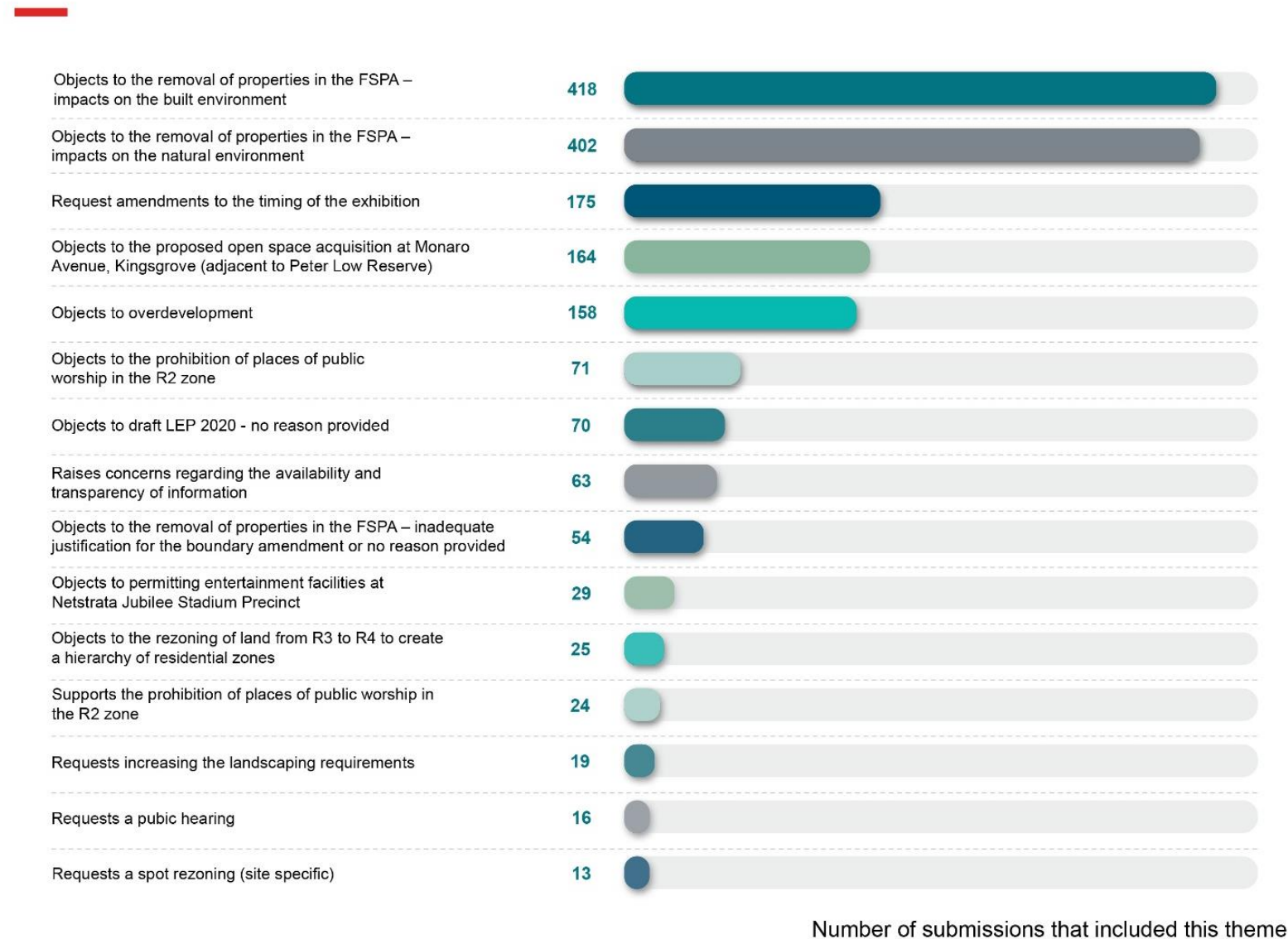
1-19 See table below for suburb list

	Suburb	Number of submissions	% of submissions		% that support	% that object	
1	Allawah	4	0.35%	75.0%		25.00%	
2	Beverley Park	8	0.69%			100.00%	
3	Beverly Hills - Narwee	13	1.13%			57.14%	
4	Blakehurst	7	0.61%	28.6%		42.86%	
5	Carlton	20	1.73%	42.9%		57.14%	
6	Connells Point - Kyle Bay	11	0.95%			100.00%	
7	Hurstville	22	1.91%	32.1%		42.86%	
8	Kingsgrove	129	11.19%	0.6%		97.24%	
9	Kogarah Bay - Carss Park	17	1.47%			90.48%	
10	Lugarno	75	6.50%	3.4%		89.74%	
11	Mortdale	41	3.56%			97.14%	
12	Not supplied	244	21.16%	1.4%		95.69%	
13	Oatley	455	39.46%	0.6%		97.45%	
14	Out of LGA	13	1.13%	21.4%		78.57%	
15	Peakhurst	13	1.13%	19.0%		80.95%	
16	Peakhurst Heights	32	2.78%			93.48%	
17	Penshurst	7	0.61%	11.1%		55.56%	
18	Riverwood	11	0.95%			53.85%	
19	Sans Souci	1	0.09%			100.00%	
20	South Hurstville	31	2.69%	3.0%		87.88%	
Total		1153	100.00%	2.6%		93.48%	

Summary of submissions by Topic



Top 15 themes (any topic)

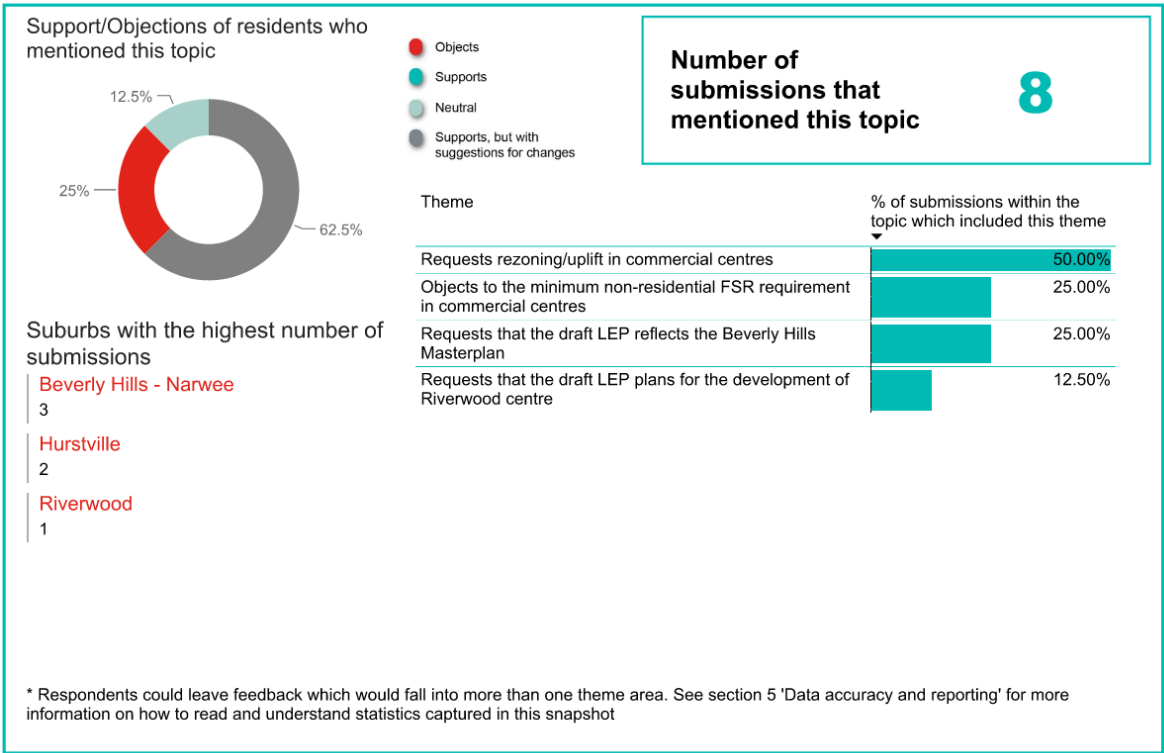


7. Topics and themes from submissions

This section provides an analysis of the 15 topics in relation to the number of submissions by topic and theme, support/objections to the topic and where the majority of the submissions originated (by suburb). Examples of summarised submissions are provided for each theme.

Topic 1: Commercial Centres (8 submissions)

There were a small number of submissions (eight in total) regarding changes to the commercial centres topic area within the draft LEP. 63% of these submissions were supportive of the LEP’s commercial centre objective, while suggesting changes. Each submission that mentioned Commercial Centres was specific to a particular commercial area within Council’s boundaries, as detailed in the table below.



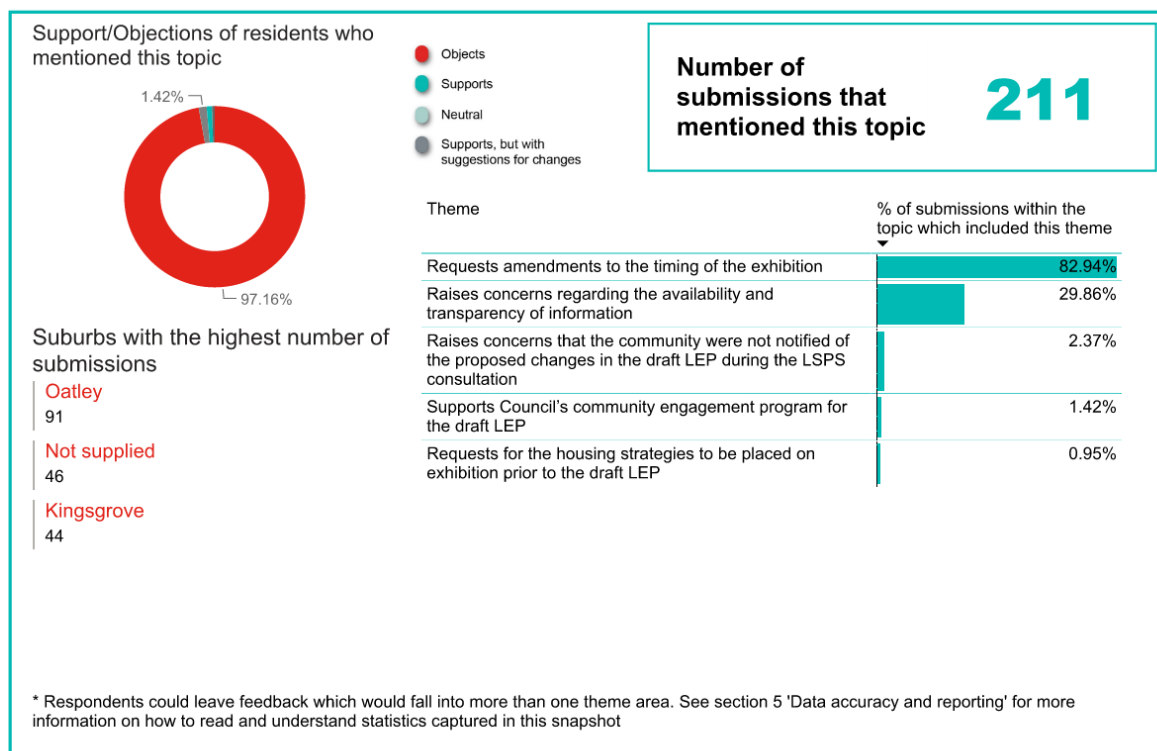
Theme	Example
Objects to the minimum non-residential FSR requirement in commercial centres	- Objects to application of 1:1 non-residential FSR for the site on the basis of development viability of the site, questioning of the economic assessments undertaken to date and the suggestion that more economic analysis needs to be undertaken in the context of the Hurstville City Centres Urban Design Study and light of more recent COVID-19 economic impacts. - Objects to increasing minimum commercial floor space area requirement – already a surplus of retail space. - Suggests unused space could be used for residential space.
Requests for rezoning/uplift in commercial centres	Narwee (Broadarrow Road): - Concerns the centre lacks residential building infrastructure and that more development is required to increase the suburb's liveability and growth. - Suggests increasing the FSR to 2.5 to 1 and height to 25m as it would be effective for shop top housing.
Requests that the draft LEP plans for the development of Riverwood centre	- Suggests developing Riverwood's shopping strip into a major retail and residential centre due to proximity to M5 and express trains to city and airport. - Proposes increasing minimum height limit from 8 to 10 storeys for buildings within 150 metres of station and with a frontage of 20 metres.
Requests that the draft LEP reflects the Beverly Hills Masterplan	- Concerns that this is not reflective of the Beverly Hills Masterplan community consultations. Explains that there is no provision of high density residential with 12m height and 1:1 FSR and no provision of retail or services. Has been informed that town centre plans are normally released prior to these LEPs. - Suggests that zoning in Beverly Hills be approved so that the construction and building sectors can continue to grow and build the economy.

Topic 2: Consultation (211 submissions)

The process and timing allowed for public consultation was mentioned in 211 submissions. This topic was raised most frequently in submissions from Oatley, Kingsgrove and Lugarno, consistent with the fact that most submissions came from these three suburbs.

While a number of submissions acknowledged that the COVID-19 pandemic had made it difficult for Council to undertake its usual community engagement, many (83%) called for an extension of the consultation period to take into account the restrictions necessitated by COVID-19, the limits placed on being able to speak to Council face to face, and the extra stress that people were feeling during the pandemic.

Of the 211 submissions that mentioned the consultation process, 63 raised concern about the availability and transparency of information provided by Council, 2% thought that Council could have done better in informing the community about the proposed changes in the draft LEP during the LSPS consultation. A small number of submissions (three) supported the resources that Council provided in responding to community enquiries and the provision of the online webinars.

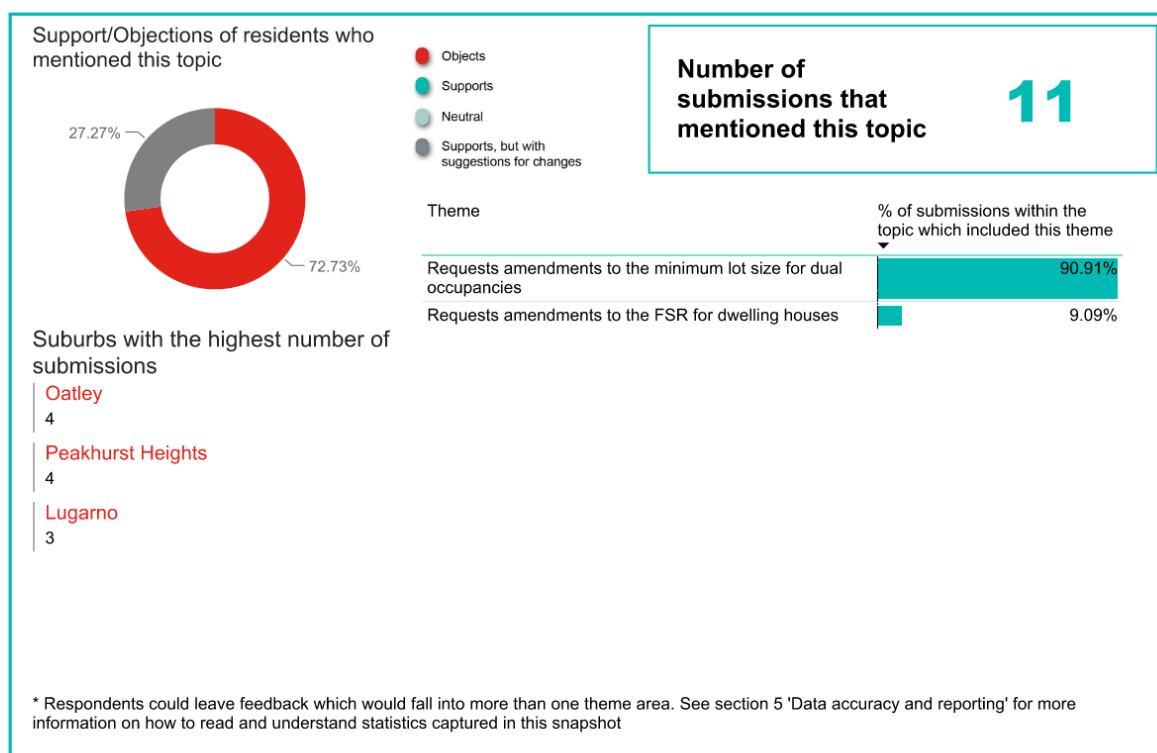


Theme	Example
Concerns regarding the availability and transparency of information	- Objects to timing of exhibition during COVID-19 and lack of consultation and transparency. - Concern information was provided late to the public and incorrect maps were supplied. - Concerns regarding the absence of appropriate communication and lack of transparency regarding the proposal including detailed plans and other information.
Concerns that the community were not notified of the proposed changes in the draft LEP during the LSPS consultation	- Concerned that major changes proposed should have been highlighted in sessions with each ward individually and they don't recall these being mentioned during the Local Strategic Planning sessions. - Questions why the reduction in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area was not included in the LSPS 2020. - Objects to changes not being highlighted in sessions with each ward individually in the LSPS consultation period.
Requests for amendments to the timing of the exhibition	- Suggests that due to COVID-19 and the cancellation of information sessions, Council should amend the consultation timeline and processes for the draft LEP as not all residents have access to gather more information and generate debate on the issues. - Requests a deferral until public discussion following COVID-19 can occur. - Objects to public exhibition period of draft LEP 2020 during COVID-19. Raises concerns that the planning proposal is being exhibited when social distancing rules affect the community's ability to have their say. - Objects to public exhibition period of draft LEP 2020 during COVID-19 due to usual Council community engagement approach not occurring such as information sessions not held, Council closed to public and having only website access to information.
Requests for the housing strategies to be placed on exhibition prior to the draft LEP	Requests that the community be consulted about the draft housing strategies first and then use those findings to amend the draft LEP, if necessary.
Supports Council's community engagement program for the draft LEP	- Supports the resources that Council has provided in responding to community enquiries. - Impressed with the level of information available on Council's website and how easy it is to navigate. - Expressed appreciation for extending the public exhibition period to better consider the implications of the draft LEP and to make informed submissions.

Topic 3: Development Standards (11 submissions)

Eleven submissions mentioned development standards. This topic was not concentrated to any one geographical area, with 73% of submissions objecting to the draft LEP and 27% supporting with further suggestions.

The submissions recorded multiple concerns, including loss in permissible floor space; dual occupancy development potential; increased noise; and adverse impact on the amenity of the adjoining residents.



Theme	Example
Requests amendments to the floor space ratio for dwelling houses	Raises concern that the proposed draft Georges River Council LEP 2020 is unfair as it prejudices their gross floor area potential. States that at the moment their floor space ratio is 0.6 to 1 and the draft LEP reduces this to 0.55 to 1, reducing their maximum floor space by 31.93sqm and leading to a reduction in the value of their property.
Requests amendments to the minimum lot size for dual occupancies	- Suggests that the minimum lot size for a dual occupancy should be 490sqm like the new duplexes on Boundary Street Mortdale. - Objects to the reduction in the size of properties from 1000sqm to 650sqm as this will increase densities.

Topic 4: Entertainment Facilities at Jubilee (29 submissions)

This topic relates to the proposed entertainment facilities at the Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Precinct at Jubilee Oval and Kogarah Park. All submissions objected to the changes with the majority coming from Carlton, Kogarah Bay and Carss Park.

Reasons for the objections included adverse impacts to traffic and parking, noise, loss of green space and parks, anti-social related behaviours from increased numbers of visitors, potential for overdevelopment and loss of heritage significant items. A number of submissions also expressed that there was a lack of Council justification and community need for entertainment facilities.



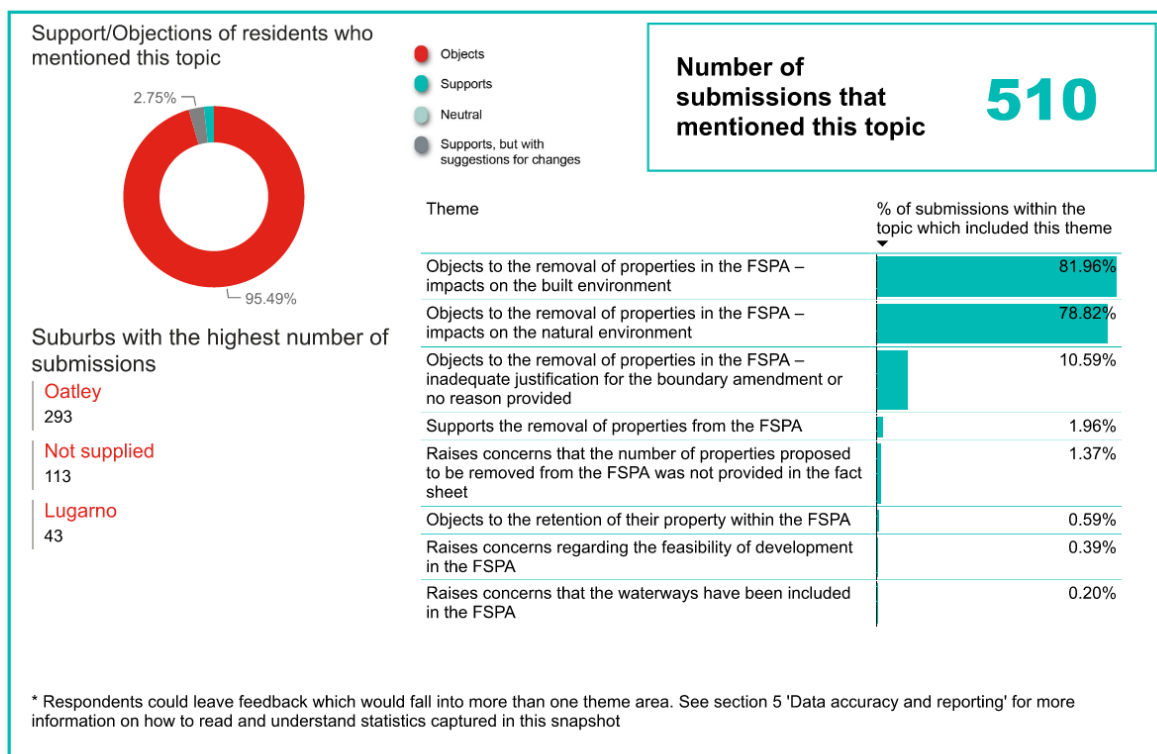
Theme	Example
Objects to permitting entertainment facilities at Netstrata Jubilee Stadium Precinct	· Kogarah Park is frequently used by local residents for exercise and relaxation. Given there are only a few parks in the locality, Kogarah Park should not be developed to accommodate large, traffic generating uses. Entertainment facilities should be located in the City Centre to preserve the residential amenity of the locals. · Objects due to unsuitable road infrastructure and lack of available parking, increase in traffic. Suggests that Council's current recreational asset at Kogarah Park and Jubilee Oval must be allowed to continue in its current state and must not be varied without public scrutiny of the plans and alternatives. · Objects due to increase in parking issues in surrounding streets, which is already an issue during the week and on days the oval is used. · Objections due to increases in venue related traffic with even more potential for local street closures due to planned events. · Increase in entertainment venue anti-social related behaviours (hooliganism, drunkenness, associated malicious damage, other petty crime, and gang crime). · Loss of green space area. · No known need (nor community request) for such facilities. · There are more suitable locations being larger shopping centres with infrastructure to cater for large crowds, parking and transport facilities. · Area does not need the cinemas, restaurants, bars and cafes facilities being proposed at that location as there are plenty within a few minutes' drive.

Topic 5: Foreshore Scenic Protection Area (510 submissions)

A total of 510 submissions were made in relation to the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. The Foreshore Scenic Protection Area was the topic of most interest to the residents of Oatley. Submissions which mentioned the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area made up 44% of all submissions. This topic was concentrated across multiple suburbs, with Oatley representing the largest number of respondents (293 total, or 57%). Lugarno, Mortdale and Peakhurst Heights also recorded a considerable number of respondents for this particular theme. Most respondents who mentioned this topic area (95%) objected to the draft LEP.

Many people were concerned about the proposed extent of the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. These respondents recorded multiple reasons for their concerns, including development potential in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area, justification for the boundary of Foreshore Scenic Protection Area, particularly where a property was not located immediately adjacent to the foreshore, and queries related to why only one side of a street was included but not the other.

82% of responses also explicitly referenced the impacts of the proposal on the built environment, generally related to impacts at one's own residence, such as privacy implications, loss of character, safety and risk of increased noise and traffic hazards. 79% expressed concern for the natural environment, including established trees, the waterways and the general green nature of the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area.



Theme	Example
Objects to the retention of their property within the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Objects to the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area controls for 'lot size required to permit dual occupancy development' that has to be a minimum of 1000sqm. Explains their property is 920sqm and finds it unfair that they can't develop their land into a dual occupancy that would meet all regulatory and environmental requirements if it was outside of the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area.
Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the built environment	- Objects to the reduction in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area which will result in duplexes being built on small blocks of land. - Many residents expressed concern about the impact of smaller block sizes on the area. Issues that were mentioned included: traffic, on street parking, safety, privacy, and increase in demand for schools.
Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – inadequate justification for the boundary amendment or no reason provided	- Questions why their property is proposed to be removed from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area when the house opposite them is proposed to remain in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. Suggests that the entire street and streets in a similar location in close proximity to parklands or with similar topography, remain in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. - Requests Council undertake a full biodiversity assessment of the LGA to inform the development of the new LEP. - Concerned that Environmental reports such as the Kogarah Council 2012 Flora & Fauna Study, Hurstville Council's 2014 Biodiversity Study or the current Council's Vegetation Mapping Report have not been made available.
Objects to the removal of properties in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area – impacts on the natural environment	- Concerns that an increase in housing density will negatively impact flora and fauna in the area. Submissions included many specific references to natural environment assets within the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area, including specific trees, parks, gardens and fauna. - Concerns about pollution, in particular water pollution from increased density and the potential impacts from run off into the Georges River. - Many submissions held the areas leafy and green character in high regard, and expressed concern that the change of landscaping requirements from 25 to 20% would impact on this character of Oatley.
Raises concerns regarding the feasibility of development in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Advises that implementing changes to the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area will be almost impossible as the average block slopes over 45 degrees and many blocks provide support for existing dwellings or roads. Concerned that the new changes will be uneconomical due to heavy engineering and construction expenses, and that bulk development will result.

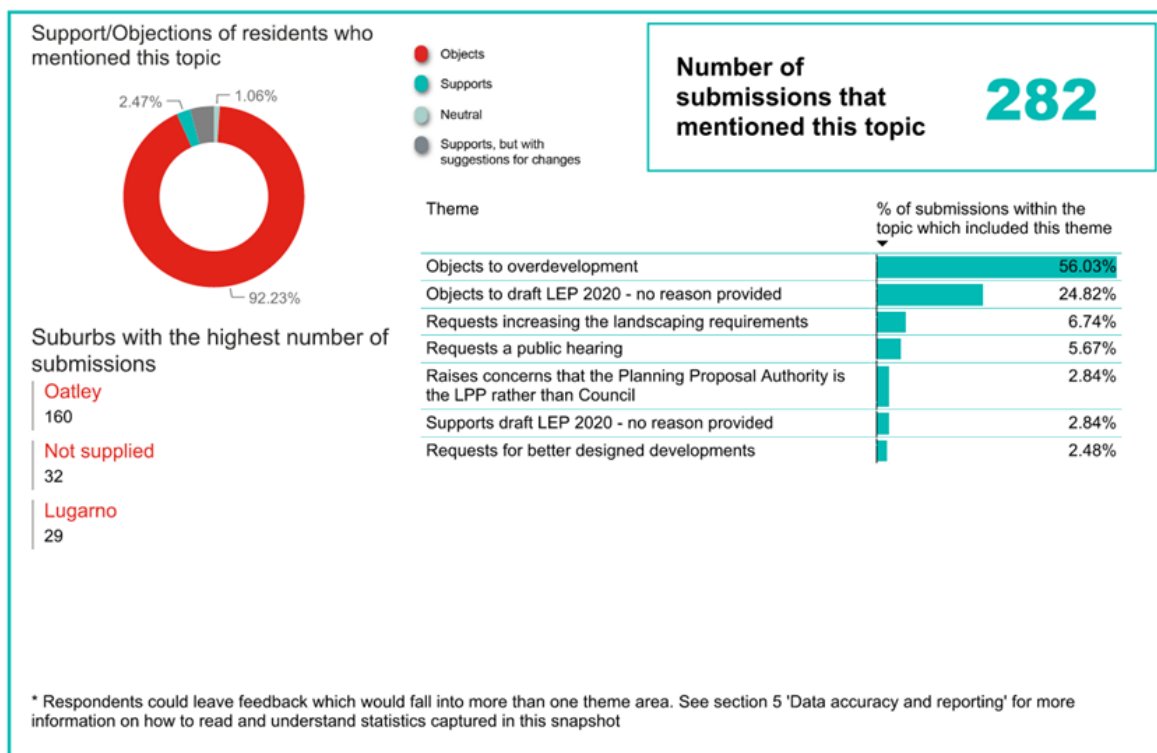
Raises concerns that the number of properties proposed to be removed from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area was not provided in the fact sheet	Objects to the changes to the FSPA due to: unclear communication being provided to the residents as Factsheet 10 only identifies areas proposed in the FSPA and not the full extent of change i.e. areas proposed to be removed from the FSPA has not been shown on Factsheet 10, changes to the current provision will have negative impacts on conservation, traffic and parking, bushland and other amenities. Raises further concerns regarding appropriateness of deadline for submissions and consultation given the freedom of movement effects of the current COVID-19 pandemic. Suggests the process be extended to ensure good governance and transparency.
Raises concerns that the waterways have been included in the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	The map showing the proposed new Foreshore Scenic Protection Area: Is misleading and deceptive as it includes the actual river/water as being part of the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. The map in the current LEP does not include the water.
Supports the removal of properties from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area	Supports the removal of properties from the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area which will allow dual occupancy developments on reduced lots. The increased housing will provide for housing needs for the future generations with development in proximity to public amenities. Increased dwellings in residential areas will result in less need for high density development in the town centre thereby minimising traffic movement and congestion in the area. Contributions generated from additional housing in the area will enable additional funds for maintenance of infrastructure.

Topic 6: General (282 submissions)

A total of 282 submissions were received. Issues relating to landscaping, general environmental impacts and overdevelopment were included as themes in this topic. Objection to overdevelopment in the LGA was the number one theme (56%) in this topic area. The suburbs of Oatley, Mortdale, Peakhurst Heights and South Hurstville had a higher level of concern about overdevelopment than other suburbs.

A number of submissions requested an increase to the minimum landscaped area, mainly from Oatley and Lugarno. Oatley residents also requested a public hearing in respect to the proposed changes. Some submissions also expressed concern that final approval of the draft LEP would be in the hands of the Local Planning Panel rather than local Councillors.

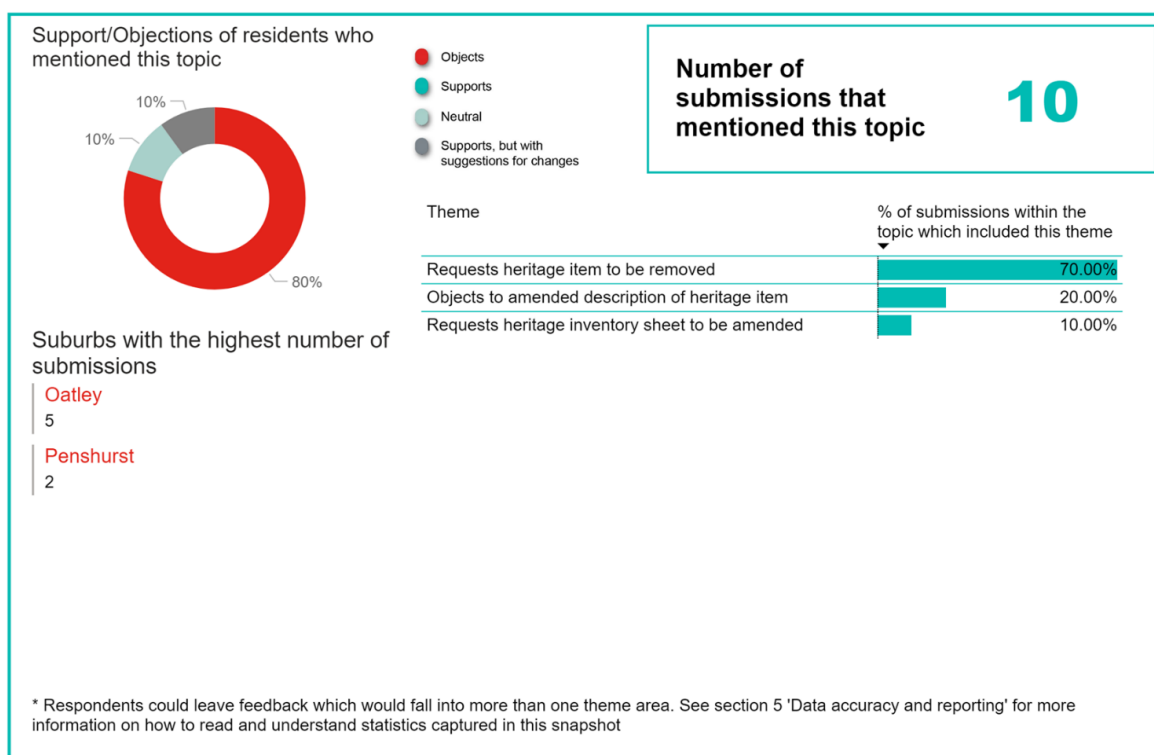
A number of submissions requested the protection of the natural environment and the promotion of quality design and environmental sustainability in new construction.



Theme	Example
Concerns that the Planning Proposal Authority is the LPP rather than Council	- Concerned about Councillors absolving role in LEP 2020 decision making. - While it is good to refer the LEP to the LPP for expert advice, the final assessment of the LEP should be made by Councillors.
Objects to draft LEP 2020 – no reason provided	No notable comments provided as part of this theme.
Objects to overdevelopment	- The proposed LEP will have a significant impact on the environment in Oatley due to increased density, smaller lot sizes, an increase in traffic, removal of trees and pressure on current infrastructure. - Objects to the proposed LEP. The proposal will degrade Oatley's quality of life and village-like feel of the suburb for both visitors and its residents. - An increase in traffic, which this proposal will promote, will create more noise and pollution on streets which are not designed for such heavy flows. - Concerned that the proposal will result in increased noise and traffic, more cars, and reduction in tranquillity. Explained they bought in the area because these types of developments weren't allowed. - Concerned that the proposal will 'de-beautify' the suburb and that there is already congestion on the roads at peak times. Does not want to see more cars, pollution, rubbish and sewage as a result of dense residential properties.
Requests a public hearing	Submitter requests that Council provide a public hearing in respect of this proposed change so that they are able to voice their objections to the proposed changes as residents.
Requests for better designed developments	- Raises concerns in relation to the recently undesirable apartment approvals. Hopes to see more clever and innovative designs which will enhance the streetscape and the character of the area. - Concern regarding design quality of dual occupancies.
Requests increasing the landscaping requirements	- Suggests increasing the landscaped area requirement to 50%. - Questions the 25% of site area required for landscaping and a reduction in minimum lot sizes outside of the Foreshore Scenic Protection Area. - The proposed minimum landscaped area requirement should be increased to 30% because 20% is not enough to retain large trees.
Supports draft LEP 2020 – no reason provided	No notable comments provided as part of this theme.

Topic 7: Heritage (10 submissions)

Heritage was mentioned in ten submissions, mostly by residents from Oatley. Most issues related to requests for heritage items to be removed, objections to proposed amendments to heritage item descriptions and requests for amended heritage inventory sheets. These typically requested for single items to be considered or removed.



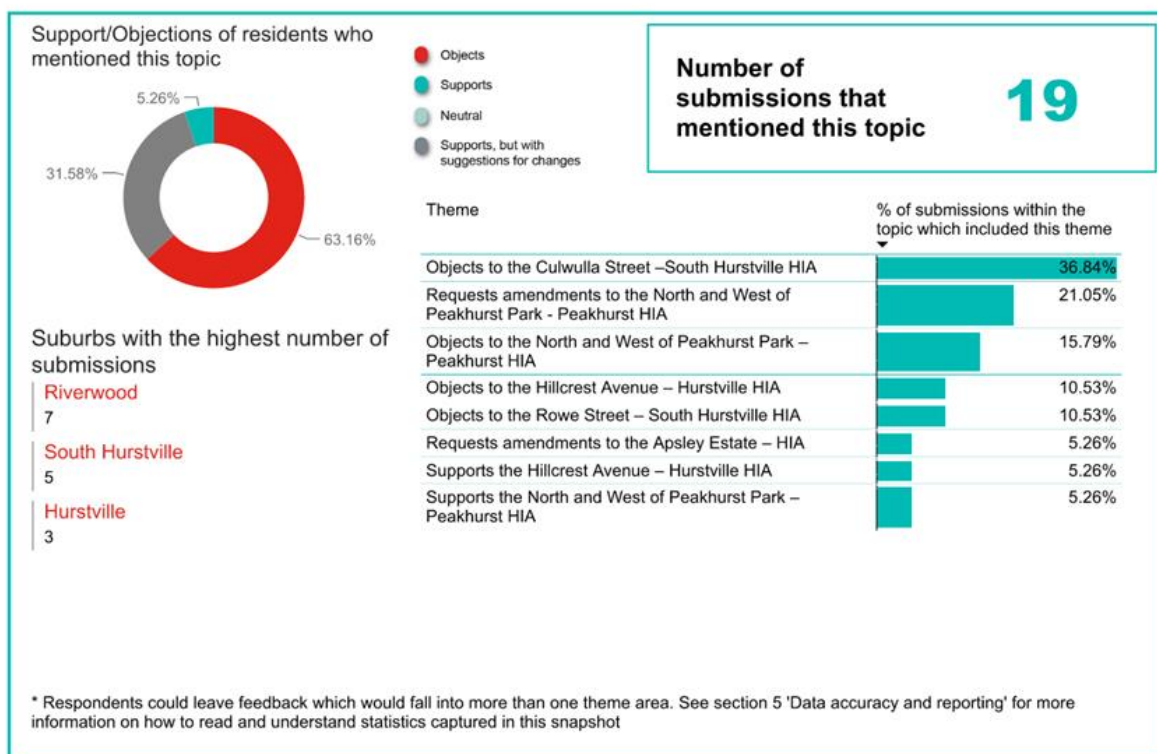
Theme	Example
Objects to amended description of heritage item	Objects to the description of heritage items to include "and setting" as concern is raised that the "setting" of items (i.e. gardens/plants) have undergone change over time. Further, the submission author notes that if the setting is intended to be protected, then those elements should be identified in the heritage inventory as significant.
Requests heritage inventory sheet to be amended	- Specific request for an update to the Heritage Inventory Sheet for a property in Oatley to accurately reflect the history of development of the buildings and setting. - Requests for heritage items and their settings be protected from inappropriate development and subdivision.
Requests heritage item to be removed	Specific objection to a property in Oatley being included as a Heritage Item in Schedule 5 of the LEP. Resident believes property does not meet criteria for inclusion on the Heritage Inventory, and further states that it no longer retains sufficient heritage value.

Topic 8: Housing Investigation Areas (19 submissions)

There were a small number of submissions (19 submissions in total) relating to Council's Housing Investigation Areas (HIAs), with 63% objecting to the draft LEP 2020. Objections mostly related to the proposed rezoning of particular areas from R2 Low Density Residential to R3 Medium Density Residential.

The largest number of objections related to plans for Culwulla Street – South Hurstville (7 out of 19). These objections were predominantly related to traffic, parking and population density.

Eight submissions in total related to the Peakhurst HIA. These submissions raised the narrowness and current traffic and parking congestion on Shenstone Road, Riverwood and indicated this would worsen with an increased number of dwellings. One submission supported Council's plans for the Peakhurst HIA. However, while in support, this resident echoed other submissions in suggesting that land to the west of the park should be zoned R4 as it is closer to the train station and Riverwood Plaza.



Theme	Example
Objections to the Rowe Street – South Hurstville HIA	Concerns the rezoning from R2 to R3 will negatively affect wellbeing and encourage realtors to approach owners to sell their properties.
Objects to the Culwulla Street –South Hurstville HIA	- Concerns more apartments will increase the population density and affect the tranquillity, quality of life, pressure on schools and quality of education. - Concerns increased traffic will increase current parking issues and pose a danger to the local community. - Wants the land to remain as R2 not R3.
Objects to the Hillcrest Avenue – Hurstville HIA	- Objects to proposed rezoning of Hillcrest Ave, Hurstville to R4 due to existing issues of drainage, traffic, parking and aesthetics and privacy would be exacerbated. - Suggests more road and parking is required for R4 zoning. Increased housing must be complemented by more off street parking and enforcement of turning into driveways across double traffic lines. Opportunities for traffic calming infrastructure, dedicated bike lanes, better signage, lighting and education needs to be included in all plans.
Supports the Hillcrest Avenue – Hurstville HIA	Supports the up zoning of the Hillcrest Avenue Housing Investigation Area from R2 Residential Low Density to R4 Residential High Density under draft LEP 2020. Supports long term planning for growth and accessibility to the local area.
Objects to the North and West of Peakhurst Park – Peakhurst HIA	- Concerns more housing will escalate the existing problems caused by the narrowness of Shenstone Road, namely parking congestion making it difficult for buses and garbage trucks to navigate. - Concerned that Shenstone Road, Riverwood is narrow, congested with cars at peak times and parking is difficult on weekdays due to close proximity to the train station. Concerned that adding more cars to the street as a result of the proposed dwellings will increase this problem.
Requests amendments to the North and West of Peakhurst Park - Peakhurst HIA	- Suggests that the north and west of Belmore Road could be a better solution R4 considering proximity to the shopping centre and train station. - Suggests both sides of Shenstone Rd should be zoned R3. Considering their proximity to shops and public transport. - Concerned that a minimum width of 2 blocks to build a Manor house is a misuse of prime real estate. - Objects to the rezoning of properties to the west of Peakhurst Park from R2 to R3. This land should be rezoned R4 to allow residential flat buildings given its proximity to shops and transport.

	· Suggests this area should be rezoned to R4 and allow residential flat buildings given its proximity to the Riverwood train station and plaza.
Supports the North and West of Peakhurst Park – Peakhurst HIA	· Does not object to the up zoning of the North and West of Peakhurst Park – Peakhurst HIA. However, requests that traffic on Talbot Street and Cairns Street be investigated and that speed humps be installed on Talbot Street.
Requests amendments to the Apsley Estate – HIA	· Suggests increased density and height of 12m/15m in Apsley Estate. · Suggests traffic lights should be installed at the Cambridge Street and Forest Road intersection.

Topic 9: Industrial Zone (3 submissions)

Three submissions were received in relation to this topic area, with all objecting to the draft LEP. They were focused on the South Hurstville Industrial Area, and expressed concerns that the proposed increases to the height in the IN2 zone will impact noise, traffic, parking and safety.

These submissions also contain mixed responses to the proposed control for creative industries with some arguing the permissibility of creative industries is inconsistent with Council's *Industrial Lands Review (2018)* while others believe uses such as arts and media which would have less of an impact on the surrounding residents compared to historic light industrial uses.



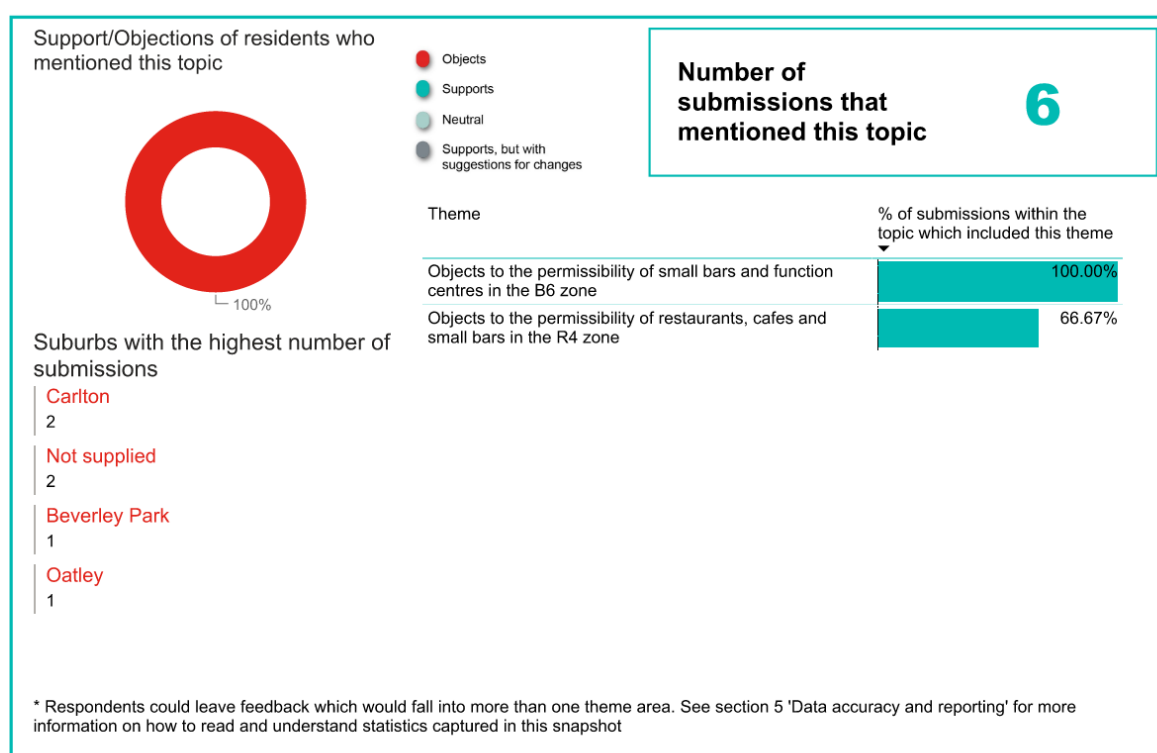
Theme	Example
Objects to changes to IN2 zone	· Lives on Halstead St, South Hurstville and objects to the increase in height for sites in the IN2 zone in South Hurstville. Concerned about impacts from noise, traffic, parking and general access and safety issues. · Concern is raised that the increase of height from 10m to 12m, and a FSR of 1:1 will increase industrial density in the IN2 zone, specifically South Hurstville Industrial Estate. This will further create constraints relating to traffic/parking. Furthermore, the submission author raises concerns in relation to the Creative Industries clause that it conflicts with what was in the Industrial Land Review 2018. · Objects to the proposed changes to the South Hurstville Industrial Estate due to: proposal to increase the density of this precinct as it does not function well and is surrounded by residential. This will increase traffic flow and increased heavy vehicles. Trucks parking on the road for days presents safety issues. · Creative industries in the zone IN2 is worth consideration, as uses such as media, advertising, fine arts and craft, design, film and television, music, publishing, performing arts and cultural heritage institutions will have a reduced impact on the surrounding residential area as they are a cleaner use in comparison to your historic light industrial uses.

Topic 10: Land Use Table (6 submissions)

Six submissions were received with Land Use Table as a topic. This topic was not specific to any one geographical area and all objected to the draft LEP.

Four of the submissions objected to the permissibility of restaurants, cafes and small bars in the R4 zone, and six objected to the permissibility of small bars and function centres in the B6 zone. Some of these submissions objected to the inclusion of these facilities in both zones.

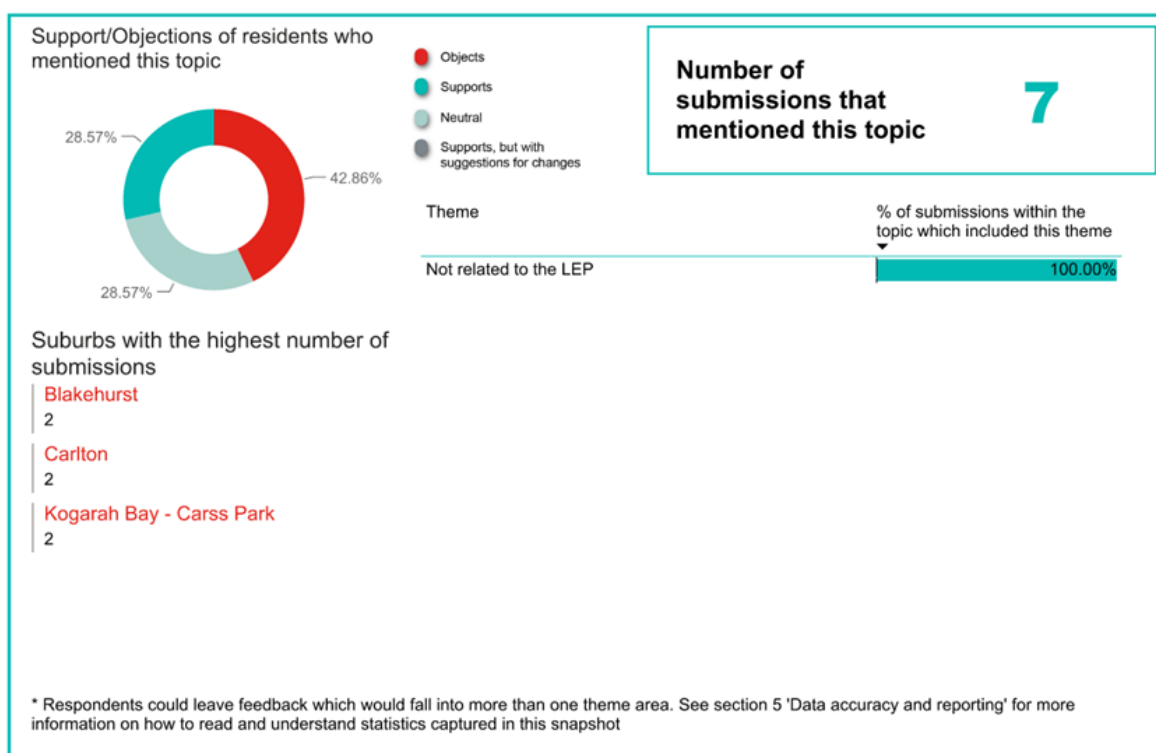
Many of the respondents were particularly concerned with how the permissibility of these land uses would impact residential amenity, such noise, parking, traffic and anti-social behaviour.



Theme	Example
Objects to the permissibility of restaurants, cafes and small bars in the R4 zone	Member of Parliament raises objections on behalf of a resident about permitting restaurants, cafes and bars in the R4 zone due to increased noise, anti-social behaviour, parking and traffic. Area is more than adequately serviced by licensed premises.
Objects to the permissibility of small bars and function centres in the B6 zone	Objects to the permitted use of function centres and small bars in the B6 Enterprise Corridor zone due to increased traffic and noise impacts on the surrounding low density residential areas particularly during the evening.

Topic 11: Not related to the LEP (7 submissions)

A small number of submissions were unrelated to the draft LEP, and these covered the topic of the Kogarah War Memorial Pool (also known as the Carss Park Pool) in relation to the outcomes of the Council Meeting dated 25 May 2020. All indicated they thought the proposal to demolish and replace the existing pool with a new Todd Park Aquatic Centre represented poor value for money and would impact on the amenity of Todd Park.



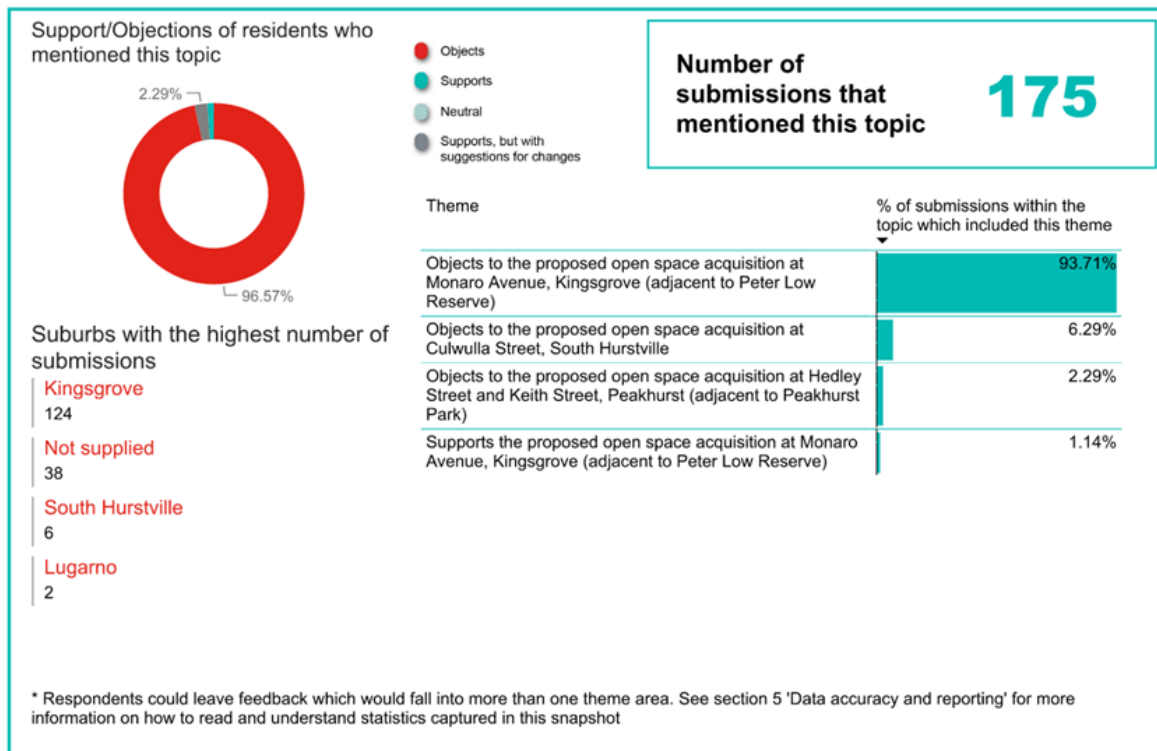
Theme	Example
Not related to the LEP	- Objects to the development of a new pool at Todd Park and to rebuild Carss Park pool. - Concerned that the proposal will destroy recreational parklands in Carss Park. Provides Todd Park as an example. Explains the park is used by local schools, sporting clubs and bike riders, and does not want it replaced by indoor dwellings. Concerned that it will result in extra traffic in the narrow roads of Bunyala St and Miowera Ave.

Topic 12: Open Space Acquisitions (175 submissions)

There were 175 submissions which were in relation to open space acquisitions. Of the 175 submissions, 124 were identified as coming from Kingsgrove, with objections to the proposed open space acquisition at Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove (adjacent to Peter Low Reserve). A number of submissions would like Council to consult with all those directly impacted by the proposal, including residents of Monaro Avenue, St Elmo Parade, New England Drive, Kinsel Avenue and McGregor Street. A number of petition responses were collected in relation to this issue, with road and pedestrian safety, traffic impacts, adverse effects to property values, stress due to relocation and a lack of understanding or reassurance about how the open space will be used mentioned.

Residents in South Hurstville objected to the proposed open space acquisition at Culwulla Street, South Hurstville. Concerns included adverse economic and emotional impacts to residents whose properties may be acquired, and a request that Council invest in open space in an area of higher density.

Two petitions with 310 and 1,220 signatures respectively were received objecting to the open space acquisitions.



Theme	Example
Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Culwulla Street, South Hurstville	- Objects to the proposed rezoning of land from R2 Residential Low Density to RE1 Public Recreation due to financial and emotional costs. - Objects to the acquisition and rezoning as: - Against the proposed increase in public open space as it will result in more people from outside the area visiting the reserve. - The street cannot currently provide for an increase in traffic and parking, with increased risk to pedestrians. - There are already 5 parks in close proximity to the street. - The proposed area for the park is not ideal due to its proximity to King Georges Road. - Concern over construction and noise which will arise as of acquisition. - The amount of money spent to acquire properties is unreasonable and could be distributed more efficiently.
Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Hedley Street and Keith Street, Peakhurst (adjacent to Peakhurst Park)	- Objects to proposed acquisition of their relative's property in Peakhurst Park for open space. - Concerned for the health and well-being of elderly relative who has become increasingly stressed since aware of proposed LEP changes. - Does not understand why Council is acquiring the property itself when there is a significant amount of open space behind the current property (Peakhurst Park). - Would like to: Request time frames of the proposed processes and what alternatives are available for deferring the processes to a future date. Should the proposal go ahead, what compensation options are available for a fair and rational compensation amount and the timing and process that need to be put in place for an amicable outcome.

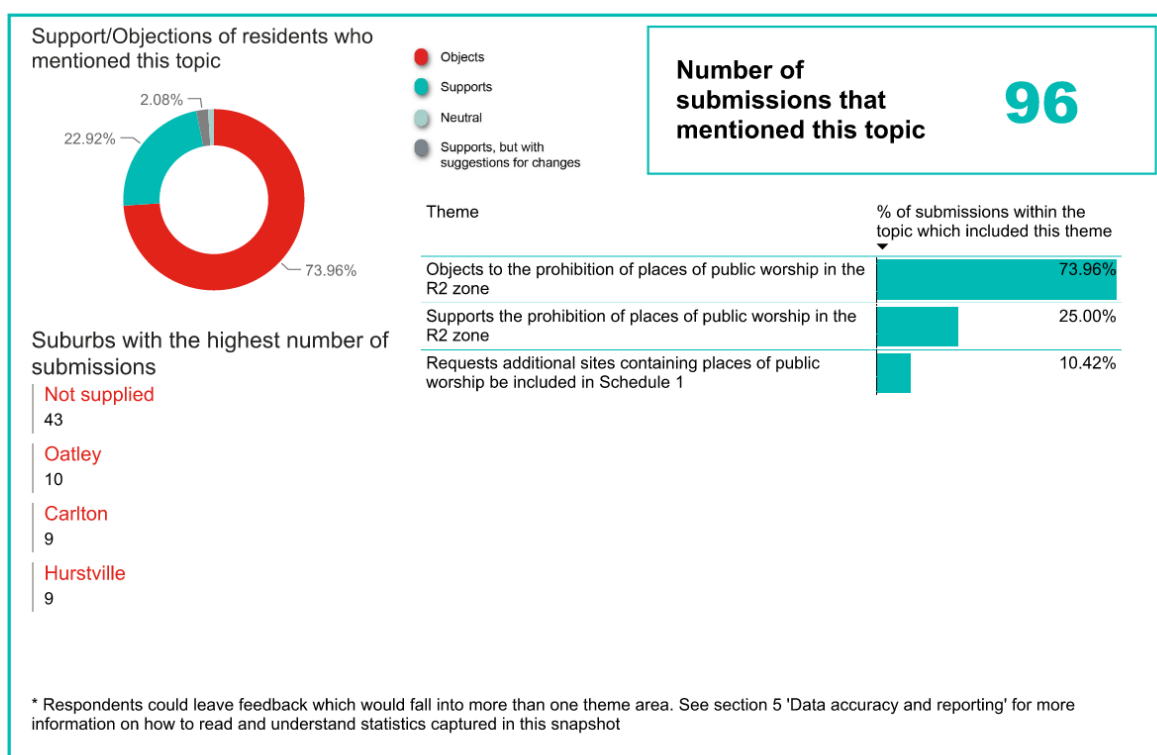
Objects to the proposed open space acquisition at Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove (adjacent to Peter Low Reserve)	· Objects to the proposed acquisition of land for open space in relation to 11-21 Monaro Avenue Kingsgrove for the following reasons: 1) Precinct of Monaro Avenue and surrounding areas has neither high-density residential or new housing proposed, and represents a poor investment of Council funds. 2) There is no understanding or reassurances about how the park will be used. 3) McGregor Street is unsuitable for on-street parking and will increase risk to traffic and pedestrians given the narrow nature of the street and lack of footpaths. Concerned this will result in on-street parking on Monaro Avenue, St Elmo Parade and Kinsel Avenue. 4) Opening the reserve will increase the risk of vandalism, theft and loitering, resulting in an increase in insurance premiums, fear and distress to residents. 5) Local residents are opposed to this and residents will undergo unnecessary stress in relocating. Suggests putting resources into the area's existing parks. 6) Requests for a community meeting to discuss. · Objects to the proposed acquisition and rezoning of 11-21 Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove: - There has been a lack of communication between residents and Council regarding the rezoning. - Insists that the proposal is delayed due to current COVID-19 restrictions. - That Council host a specific consultation with Monaro Ave, St Elmo Parade, New England Drive, Kinsel Ave, and McGregor St. - Funds for this project could be used more efficiently elsewhere in the LGA. - The provision of additional open space should be reserved for areas of higher density, such as Kingsgrove Road or Beverly Hills near King Georges Road. - McGregor Street is not sufficiently designed for an increase in traffic congestion and parking, with an increase in traffic increasing the risk of danger. - Further opening the park will result in an increase in anti-social behaviour.
Supports the proposed open space acquisition at Monaro Avenue, Kingsgrove (adjacent to Peter Low Reserve)	· Supports the proposed rezoning to Monaro Avenue as it will improve access, safety sightlines and surveillance and aligns with CPTED. Current layout of park attracts anti-social behaviour, vandalism and theft.

Topic 13: Places of Public Worship (96 submissions)

There were 96 submissions relating to proposed changes to places of public worship controls with 74% objecting to the proposed changes in the LEP. Most respondents did not provide their suburb, those that did were reasonably evenly spread across the LGA.

The predominant reasons for objecting to the changes included the risk that the changes would make churches illegal in residential areas, that places of worship are relatively low impact and have limited hours of use, so can be operated in residential areas without major disruption. Some respondents also raised the limitation on existing churches being unable to expand their operations.

Submissions in support of the proposal highlighted the increase in traffic and amenity loss created through operating places of public worship in R2 zones.

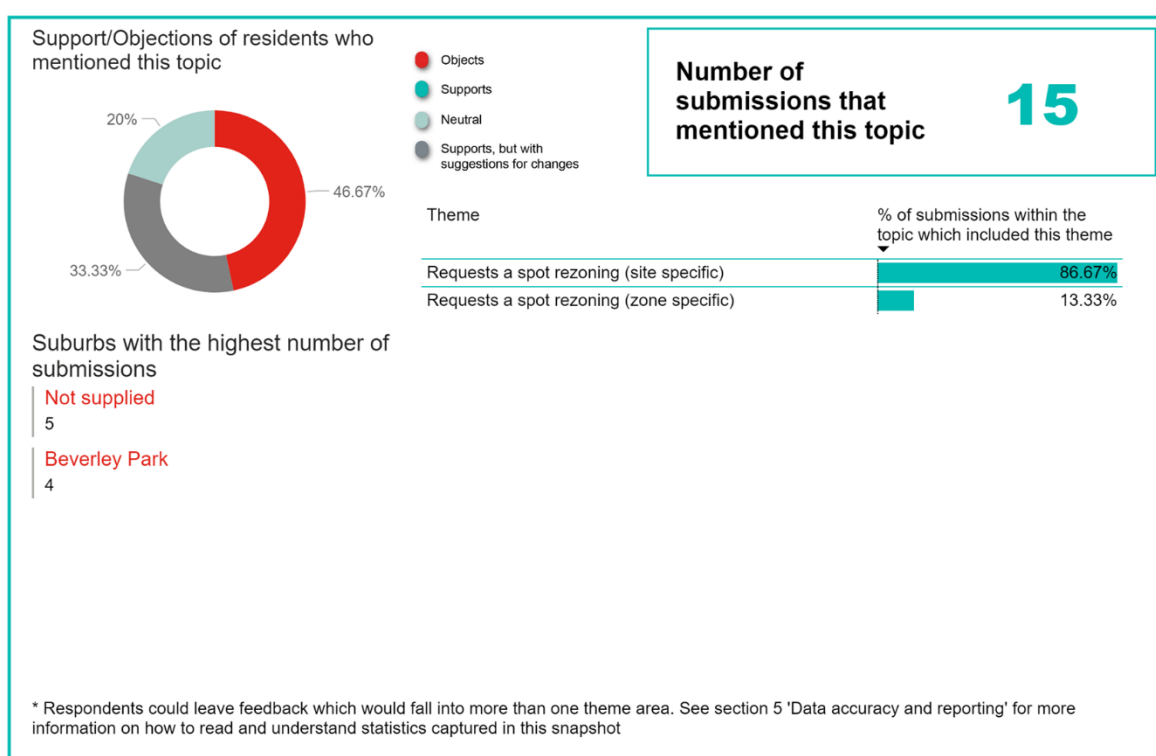


Theme	Example
Objects to the prohibition of places of public worship in the R2 zone	· Objects to the removal of churches as a permissible use in the R2 zone. Believes this will make churches more difficult to operate and there is no evidence of churches adversely affecting amenity. · Concerned that the proposal will make churches illegal in residential areas. Notes that churches are an integral part of the community and play a significant role through community support, religious life, and welfare and social care. Concerned the proposal will force people to travel further to go to church.
Requests additional sites containing places of public worship be included in Schedule 1	· Site specific requests sites in the R2 zone that contain existing places of public worship that have been omitted from Schedule 1.
Supports the prohibition of places of public worship in the R2 zone	· Supports development of areas for places of public worship provided the site can suitably accommodate the demand of traffic generated by the use and result in minimal residential amenity impacts including noise.

Topic 14: Requests for rezoning (non-Housing Investigation Area) (15 submissions)

There were 15 submissions relating to this topic. This topic was not specific to any one geographical area and there was a fairly even split between objections (47%) and support / neutral (53%) opinions of the draft LEP 2020. Thirteen submissions requested that specific changes occur at their own residence or within the immediate vicinity of their own residence. This was reflected both in people objecting to what they saw as an adverse rezoning, and those who believe they were missing out on a favourable rezoning.

Two submissions sought to overhaul all zonings with general increases from R3 to R4, but with increased development potential through an increased FSR. Thirteen engaged specifically on the issue of their own rezoning, and proposed targeted amendments to permit or restrict certain types of activities where it was believed that the general rules would result in an unfair outcome.

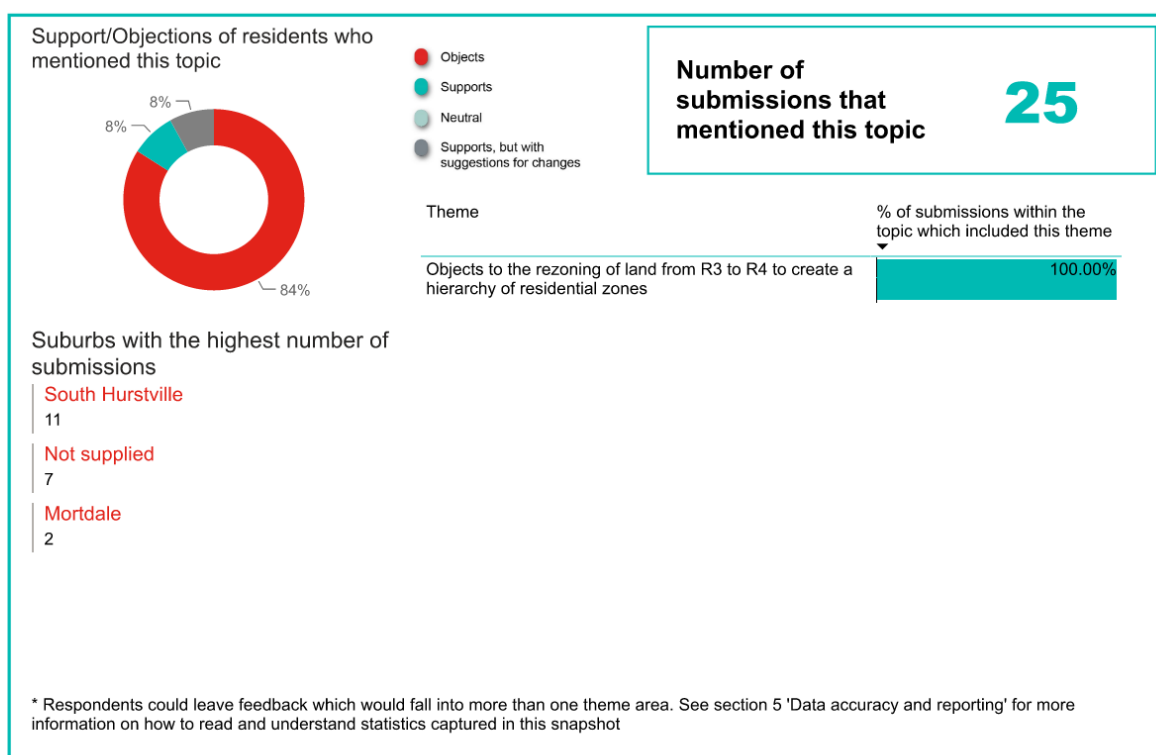


Theme	Example
Requests a spot rezoning (zone specific)	Suggests converting all existing R3 zones to R4 and amending FSR in R4 zones to 1.25:1.
Requests for spot rezoning (site specific)	All submissions are related to specific lots and so have been excluded from this report to protect the submitter's privacy. These have been considered by Council planning staff and will be responded to separately.

Topic 15: Rezoning resulting from creating a hierarchy of residential zones (25 submissions)

Council received 25 submissions related to this topic area. 84% of submissions relating to this topic objected to the proposed changes. This was the number one concern of residents from South Hurstville.

The majority of submissions were focused on specific concerns about the lack of transition provided by the LEP's approach which will see R4 zones being located next to R2 zones, which is not sufficient to maintain amenity or reduce demand on infrastructure. There were also concerns about planning controls on R3 zoned areas not being sufficient to prevent high rise apartment blocks.



Theme	Example
Objects to the rezoning of land from R3 to R4 to create a hierarchy of residential zones	- Traffic on Connells Point Road is already impacted by the new Marist Catholic College in South Hurstville. Further development would increase traffic. - Objects to the proposed up zoning of Jersey Ave, Mortdale to a higher density due to drainage issues and lack of green space. - Objects to more R4 zones, and the planning controls in new R3 zones not being strong enough to prevent apartments. - With the Esplanade/Mall Block being zoned R4 there is no "stepped" approach to zoning along this southern part of Connells Point Road as the zoning goes from the low density R2 to the high density R4 in one leap. If the Esplanade/Mall Block remains zoned R3 then there is a stepped approach.

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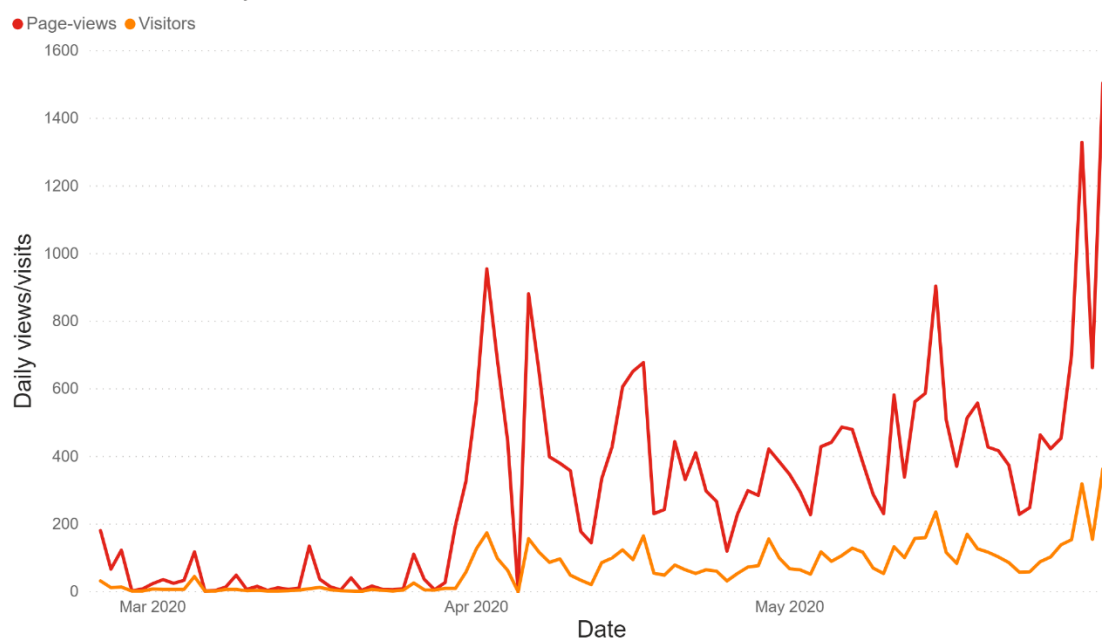
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Visitors Summary as of 31 May 2020

Visitors: unique visitors to the website

Page views: number of pages within the site those visitors visited

Number of Your Say website interactions



Appendix 2 - Your Say Data of Activity

Key engagement data as of 31st May 2020

Activity	Data
Total site visits	· 8,690
Registrations to Your Say to receive project updates	· 352

Key documents and downloads

Key Documents	Downloads/views
Planning Proposal Report - Georges River Local Environmental Plan 2020	· 1,149
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NOTICE OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT

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Premises: 31 Pacific Avenue, Penshurst
Development Application No: DA2020/0137
Proposed Development: Demolition (removal of swimming pool and demolition of shed) and construction of a garage – Heritage Conservation Area
Applicant: Go Design Solutions

The application and accompanying plans above are available for viewing until Friday 22 May 2020. The plans and supporting documentation can only be accessed online.

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If you are self-isolating I can help

Looking out for each other is more important than ever. Cut out this card and drop it in your neighbour's letterbox to offer a helping hand.

My name is _____

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My phone number is _____

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Premises: 6-16 Victoria Street, Kogarah

Development Application No: DA2020/0128

Proposed Development: Demolition works, restoration of two heritage listed buildings, and construction of a residential flat building

Applicant: Landmark Group Australia Pty Ltd - Adam Martinez

Premises: 1010 King Georges Road, Blakehurst

Development Application No: DA2020/0122

Proposed Development: Part demolition, alterations and additions to a commercial carwash development, and signage

Applicant: V Sahade

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Premises: 62 Lansdowne Parade, Oatley
Development Application No: DA2020/0107
Proposed Development: Construction of a Boat Shed, Timber Accessway, Timber Jetty and Sea Stairs
Applicant: Harbour Port East Coast Pty Ltd

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Just because we are social distancing, doesn't mean we can't stay connected.

Please consider completing this card and dropping it into a neighbour's mailbox to offer a helping hand.

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If you are self-isolating I can help

My name is: _____

I live locally at: _____

My phone number is: _____

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| ☐ Picking up shopping | ☐ Posting mail | ☐ Dog walking |
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Following recommendations by the Australian Government, in an effort to slow the spread of COVID-19, Council is rolling out a number of changes to protect both residents and staff.

We are monitoring the situation closely and will continue to provide essential services to our community.

The following changes are currently in place and are subject to review as the pandemic continues.

CUSTOMER SERVICE

Council's face-to-face customer service centres have closed until further notice. Our call centre is still operating and our staff are well equipped to respond to a range of service requests. For enquiries please call 9330 6400 or email mail@georgesriver.nsw.gov.au

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Attendance at Council meetings has been restricted to Councillors and essential staff only. Council meetings will continue to be webcast live and registered speakers can provide their proposed address to Council in writing for it to be read at the meeting.

CANCELLATION OF COUNCIL RUN EVENTS

All Council events have been cancelled.

LIBRARIES AND HURSTVILLE MUSEUM & GALLERY

All libraries and the Hurstville Museum & Gallery have been closed until further notice.

CHILDREN'S SERVICES

Hurstville Early Learning Centre is now closed. South Hurstville Kindergarten is operating on Mondays and Tuesdays only. Ocean Street Kindergarten is operating on Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays only. Until further notice, Jack High Long Day Care, Penshurst Long Day Care and Narani Carss Park Child Care Centre will remain open for normal hours of operation.

OTHER COUNCIL FACILITIES

Hurstville Aquatic Centre, Sans Souci Aquatic Centre, Norm O'Neill Cricket Centre, and Hurstville Senior Citizens Centre are closed until further notice. All playgrounds and outdoor gyms in the Georges River area are closed until further notice.

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Premises: 18 Victoria Street, Kogarah

Development Application No: Rev2020/0011

Proposed Development: Review of Determination of Application No: DA2017/0597 which sought consent for demolition works and construction of a mixed use development comprising residential flat building and shops. The proposal is integrated development under the Water Management Act 2000. | **Applicant:** Mr C. Pan

Premises: 45 Mutual Road, Mortdale

Development Application No: DA2020/0151

Proposed Development: Demolition, construction of two storey dual occupancy (attached) with re-direction of stormwater drainage pipe/easement. | **Applicant:** Y Square Studio

Premises: 33-35 Treacy Street, Hurstville

Development Application No: DA2018/0366

Proposed Development: Re-notification - Remediation Action Plan - Construction of residential flat building comprising a 13 storey mixed use building with 12 residential levels and one residential level
Applicant: The Won Capital Pty Limited

The application and accompanying plans above are available for viewing until Friday 5 June 2020. The plans and supporting documentation can only be accessed online.

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LEP 2020 digital webinars

We will be hosting digital webinars online. Join us to ask questions and have your say about the draft LEP 2020.

Dates and times:

- Tuesday 26 May 2020 at 12.00noon-2.00pm
- Wednesday 27 May 2020 at 7.00pm-9.00pm

Bookings essential:

To join either of these webinars, register your attendance via our Your Say page at yoursay.georgesriver.nsw.gov.au/lep2020. Once registered you will receive a web link to access the webinar.

YOUR SAY

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Development Application No: DA2020/0172
Proposed Development: Alterations and additions to a dwelling house
Applicant: Mr D C Laurence

Premises: 10 Water Street, Sans Souci

Development Application No: DA2020/0166
Proposed Development: Subdivision of the land and demolition of Sans Souci Bathing Pavilion
Applicant: Georges River Council

Premises: 23 Castle Street, Blakehurst
Development Application No: DA2020/0173
Proposed Development: Demolition, construction of attached dual occupancy with basement, in-ground swimming pools and front fence
Applicant: M Cubed Architects

Premises: 97 Bonds Road, Peakhurst
Development Application No: MOD2020/0085
Proposed Development: Modification of Consent No: DA2019/0205 for demolition and construction of three townhouses. The modifications include deletion of condition 8 regarding electricity supply; changes to approved on-site detention design; and changes to Unit 1 including changes to floor plan, floor area and window placement.
Applicant: Mr A Yousef

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We have reduced the number of customers allowed within the spaces at any time, in alignment with the NSW Government's public health orders.

During this time we would still encourage you to make the most of our services online and over the phone. Our call centre staff members are well equipped to respond to a wide range of service requests and to provide information on all of Council's services and programs, eliminating the need for a face-to-face visit. If you need to make a payment to Council, we would encourage you to do so online via our 'Rates and Payments' page or over the phone on 9330 6400.



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Have your say on Council's key actions for the year ahead.

PUBLIC EXHIBITION OF DRAFT DELIVERY AND OPERATIONAL PLANS 2020/21

You are invited to view and share feedback on Council's Delivery Program and Operational Plan and related documents, which outline Council's key actions for 2020/21.

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Join us for a National Reconciliation Week webinar with D'harawal Saltwater Knowledge Keeper Shannon Foster, where she will talk about her family, culture and her movie Yana'o Kai'eemagh (walking on Georges River Country).

When: Thursday 4 June 2020, 3.00pm-4.00pm

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Development Application No: Rev2020/0013
Proposed Development: Review of Determination of Application
Consent No: DA2019/0232 for site remediation, demolition works and construction of a mixed use building comprising of commercial space beneath a boarding house. The proposal is integrated development under the *Water Management Act 2000*
Applicant: Moderinn Pty Ltd

Premises: 35 River Road, Oatley
Development Application No: DA2020/0152
Proposed Development: Remediation works including a Remediation Action plan for Category 1 Remediation work
Applicant: Ei Australia Pty Ltd

Premises: 29 Laycock Road, Penshurst (Lot 9)
Development Application No: DA2020/0160
Proposed Development: Demolition Works and construction of a boarding house. The application is integrated development under the *Water Management Act 2000*
Applicant: Design Workshop Australia

Premises: 29 Laycock Road, Penshurst (Lot 10)
Development Application No: DA2020/0161
Proposed Development: Demolition Works and construction of a boarding house. The application is integrated development under the *Water Management Act 2000*
Applicant: Design Workshop Australia

Premises: 29 Laycock Road, Penshurst (Lot 11)
Development Application No: DA2020/0162
Proposed Development: Demolition Works and construction of a boarding house. The application is integrated development under the *Water Management Act 2000*
Applicant: Design Workshop Australia

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