



What we heard | Community submissions summary

Place, Design and Landscape Plan (Part 2) - Berrys Bay

February 2026



We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the Country on which Western Harbour Tunnel is being constructed, including the Gadigal, Cammeraygal and Wangal peoples, as well as the Aboriginal peoples of Emu Plains, and we pay respect to Elders past and present.

Western Harbour Tunnel (WHT) is a major transport infrastructure project that will make it easier, faster and safer to get around Sydney.

WHT including Berrys Bay foreshore parkland in Waverton, is being delivered by Transport for NSW and delivery partner ACCIONA. We are committed to reconnecting people to the history, land and waters at Berrys Bay through the delivery of a new foreshore parkland.

104 submissions received

Thank you to everyone who took the time to share your thoughts on the future of Berrys Bay with the team through public exhibition of the draft WHT Place, Design and Landscape Plan (PDLP) (Part 2) - Berrys Bay. Feedback received is helping shape the future of the site.

Submissions were made up of:

- 87 website responses (online survey)
- 16 email responses
- one hard copy response.

We heard from 98 individuals and the following six groups:

- North Sydney Council (Council)
- Council's Access and Inclusion Committee
- two North Sydney precinct committees
- one local business
- one community group.

How we consulted

- ✓ 28-day consultation period between 28 July and 24 August 2025
- ✓ Four community events with 200+ attendees
- ✓ Project briefings with three groups
- ✓ 8,500 notifications via letterbox drop to Waverton and parts of Wollstonecraft, McMahons Point and North Sydney
- ✓ 4,410 website views
- ✓ Eight emails to 4,900 subscribers
- ✓ Print, broadcast and social media stories.

What we heard

A wide range of feedback was received about all elements proposed for Berrys Bay foreshore parkland and the reimagined Woodley's Shed community pavilion.

We heard a balance of ideas from the community where many preferred to keep the proposed design for the parkland, while others provided suggestions on how to expand future uses of the parkland and the reimagined Woodley's Shed community pavilion.

Many want the site at Berrys Bay to become a place for everyday informal recreation including walking, kayaking on the water, small gatherings amongst the native plantings and trees which extend the native bushland which Balls Head and Waverton peninsula are known for.

Many also felt that the new park should contribute to habitat preservation, sustainability, education opportunities for students and visitors, and offer natural places and green spaces for people to connect, or to relax by the harbour's edge with iconic water views.

Feedback received on the concept design for the reimagined Woodley's Shed community venue was generally positive and is being used for further discussion with North Sydney Council on how the design can allow for increased flexibility of usage, capacity and accessibility.

While **all ideas are valuable**, the decisions on what can be included in the parkland (as outlined in the PDLP) must be balanced across:

- The cost of ongoing management and maintenance.
- A new community venue designed to ensure flexibility of use and the functionality required by the community and North Sydney Council.
- Ensuring accessibility for all, across the parkland.
- Ensuring access for maintenance, utilities and emergency vehicles.
- Complying with all accessibility, engineering/technical, safety and environmental specifications and Conditions of Approval
- Respecting existing features of heritage and other significance.
- Overall community feedback received during public exhibition of the PDLP - Berrys Bay.

You can read or download the draft WHT Place, Design and Landscape Plan (Part 2) – Berrys Bay at: nswroads.work/wht-pdlp2

Next steps for 2026

All feedback assists our work to finalise the design for Berrys Bay foreshore parkland including the reimagined Woodley's Shed community pavilion.

This includes finalising the PDLP (Part 2) - Berrys Bay for final approval from Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.

Construction work continues in 2026 and includes sea wall rectification, ground remediation and earthworks. Construction will continue for up to twelve months in parallel with the final design for the reimagining of Woodley's Shed as a community pavilion.

We will continue to keep the community informed of project progress including design updates.



Artist's impression, Berrys Bay, looking south-east towards harbour (landscaping at 5 years+ maturity).

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