

Island Vision Report 2014

What do we mean by Island Vision?

During our early meetings in 2014 the working group discussed what we value about living on the island and being part of our community, This was reinforced by visitors to the Vision drop-in and the opinions filmed by Boyd Atwell at the Winter Solstice Festival in June.

(See UTube <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5zRLq23QFBo> and <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f4vrVuIUJQk>)

We then articulated the values and guiding principles that we think should underpin our thinking about where our community should go from here and to determine what our vision for our community future should be. We hope that this, in turn, will assist in strategic planning in all aspects of our lives.

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Guiding Principles

- Sustainability
- Intergenerational equity
- Community engagement
- Community benefits

Values

- We value living within a **beautiful natural environment** where the elements of water, air, earth, plants, trees and some native animals largely predominate over the built environment. In this somewhat isolated special place, accessible only by water, living has unique challenges and a sense of adventure.
- We value living within a **friendly and flourishing community**, united by our common context. Our daily lives are often made up of many small friendly encounters, shared events, celebrations and cooperative activities which weave together an inclusive, innovative and nurturing social environment.

- We value living in a **healthy and aesthetically built environment** with the necessary but modest infrastructure to allow all residents to go about their daily lives, with convenient access their homes and with adequate facilities for normal family life.

Where we are now

Later in the year we examined the *Pittwater 2025 Our Community Strategic Plan* http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/pittwater2025/home/site_map and material produced by earlier Island Vision working to develop

1. a Framework for development (see next page) based on people, place and processes
2. a process (see below) for detailed planning

Where to in the future?

1. Develop a comprehensive vision, based on:
 - a. The principles and value statements outlined.
 - b. Work done by previous Island working groups
 - c. Community consultation done by Pittwater Council in developing *Pittwater 2025 Our Community Strategic Plan* http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/pittwater2025/home/site_map
 - d. Feedback from other relevant Island organisations and SIRAC sub-committees/working groups .
 - e. Community responses made in the Vision drop-in from the Solstice Festival and Boyd blog.
 - f. Undertake primary consultation with SIRA sunb-committees and working groups
 - g. Scotland Island special interest groups
2. Seek Scotland Island community comment and input through discussions , surveys and meetings
3. Seek input from WPCA, Pittwater Council, and relevant Pittwater community groups

How can I help?

1. Join in the discussion and contribute your ideas by:
 - a. Volunteering for the working group and attending periodic meetings
 - b. Helping with research and consultation

A framework for development

VISION				
People		Place		Process
Key Direction 1	Key Direction 2	Key Direction 3	Key Direction 4	Key Direction 5
Connecting our Offshore Community	Enhancing our Creative and Cultural Environment	Valuing and caring for our Natural Environment	Integrating our Built Environment	Effective Processes to achieve Community Goals
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Excellent Communication Systems • Enhanced community health, safety and wellbeing 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A friendly, creative lifestyle shared by residents • Enhance educational and cultural activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced natural environment in balance with the lifestyle needs of the community 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced low impact infrastructure that balances community and environmental needs in a cost effective way 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good Governance • Efficient Service Management • Responsible Finance and Insurance Management