

Island Vision 2014

Progress to date

During this year we have worked to establish a framework for the development of an island Vision that we hope will be comprehensive across all areas of our communal activities and based on an inclusive and collaborative effort. Most of us live on the island for two reasons, the beautiful environment and the wonderful vibrant community.

We are working on a vision that we hope will balance the needs of the place and the people. If you would like to contribute, please get involved. Come to the Community Forum we will organise early in 2015 or, in the meantime, call Shar Jones, team leader of the Visions Working Group, on 9999 1346.

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.

Process

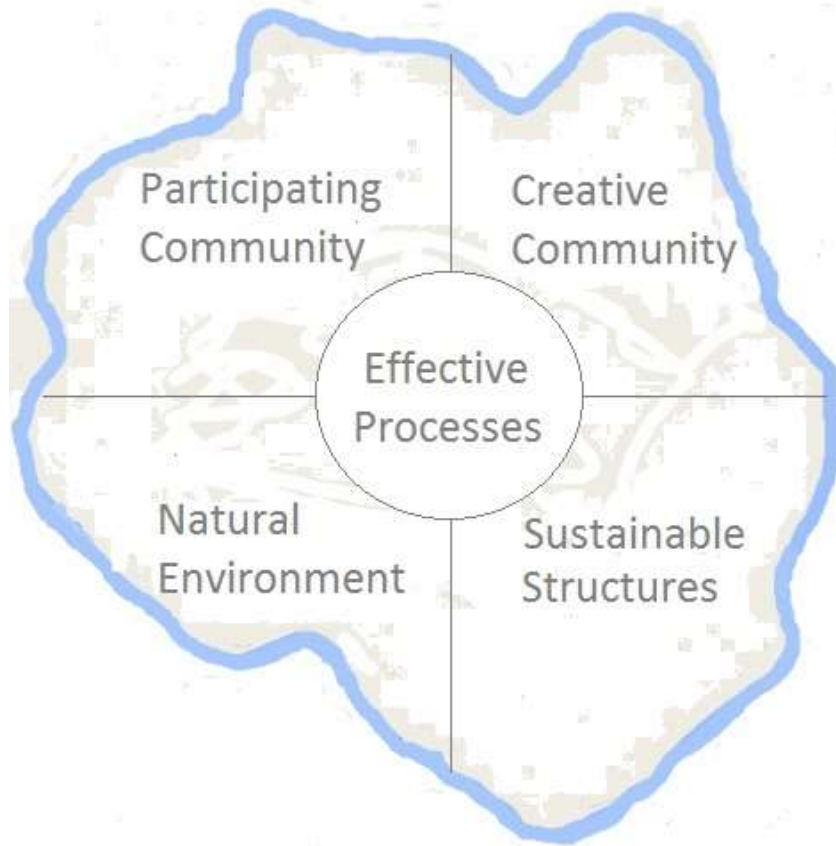
1. The framework for development outlined is intended as a starting point. It needs refinement and further action

The group leader of each Key Direction, will

- a. provide a more comprehensive outline for further discussion, based on:
 - The guiding principles and value statements outlined above
 - Pittwater 2025
 - Feedback from other relevant Island organisations and SIRAC sub-committees/working groups as outlined below
 - Community responses
 - b. Seek input from primary consultation groups
2. Seek Scotland Island community comment and input through surveys and meetings
 3. Seek input from WPCA.

VISION

People		Place		Processes
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



Beginning to flesh out the details

Key direction 1			
Supporting & Connecting our Offshore Community			
Aim	Strategies	Actions	Primary consultation
Enhanced sense of community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Communicate effectively with the Scotland Island Community and all stakeholders Expand range and quality of community activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain, facilitate and support local community activities and Community forums Maximise the use of the community hall and other public spaces on the island 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> CECS sub-committee
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Identify the common goals and interests of all stakeholders Support & enable wide participation in achieving these goals 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Forums Maintain and continuously improve our high quality Website and electronic newsletter 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Webmaster Editor, PON Editors, POD
Enhanced community health, safety and wellbeing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improve the safety and wellbeing of all residents Ensure rapid, efficient and effective access to emergency health services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annual risk assessment review Work with SIRFB to decrease the possibility of major fires on the island Work with SIRFB and other state departments to implement optimal Medi-vac procedures 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SIRFB Liaison Water Police

Key Direction 2

Enhancing our creative and cultural environment

Aim	Strategies	Actions	Primary Consultation
A friendly, creative lifestyle shared by residents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase participation in community recreational and celebrative events and activities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide an events calendar and targeted promotional campaigns 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIRAC :Hall Management sub-committee • Scotland Island Players • Music groups, particularly Flaming Doghouse and Sly Dogs • Yoga providers, etc,
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase the level and effectiveness of volunteering 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ? 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ?
Enhance educational and cultural activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support a range of children’s services to cater for the needs of families and children • Support the continuing development of community cultural groups • Support the continuing development of off-shore artists, craftspeople and performers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote ongoing development of the kindergarten and after school care facilities • Maximise use of hall and other public spaces for a range of cultural events • Provide a link from the island website to: http://www.pittwater.nsw.gov.au/community/art_and_culture_in_pittwater/useful_web_links 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIOCS Liaison • Community cultural groups to be identified • Activist festival organisers • Island Book Clubs, • Island Thinkers and other groups; • Artists, craftspeople and performers

Key Direction 3

Valuing and caring for our natural environment

Aim	Strategies	Actions	Primary consultation
Enhanced natural environment in balance with the lifestyle needs of the community	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved coastal management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean Up Australian Day 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parks and Reserves, Wharves and Marine Issues sub-committee Pittwater Coastal environment Centre
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved catchment management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Address water provision and sewage issues 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Roads and drainage sub-committee Water and waste water sub-committee
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Improved landscape management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clean up Australia Day Fire mitigation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Parks and Reserves, Wharves and Marine Issues sub-committee Roads and drainage sub-committee SIRFB
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Flora and fauna management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conversation about issues relating to companion animals, particularly cats and dogs off leash 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community forum

Key Direction 4

Integrating our Built Environment

Aim	Strategies	Actions	Primary consultation
Enhanced low impact infrastructure that balances community and environmental needs in a cost effective way	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure that Church Point is maintained and developed as a major access interchange and community hub • Ensure that all island residents have reasonable access to their homes by <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ the continued development of : adequate and low impact roads and drainage with effective drainage ○ providing an effective community vehicle service to decrease the need for private vehicles 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Pittwater Council and relevant residents' Associations to ensure resolution of the parking issues at Church Point • Implement the Roads and Drainage Masterplan • Prevent erosion by development and maintenance of safe all-weather roads • Establish suitable pathways to encourage walking • Fix the road to the top of the island 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church Point Liaison Sub-Committee • Roads and drainage sub committee
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A long term, cost effective solution to the provision of reliable water and sewage services 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with Minister for the Environment, Sydney Water and Pittwater Council to promote provision of sewage and water supply 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Water and Waste water Sub-C
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximise the amenity and value of island parks and reserves 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support Landcare groups 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Parks & Reserves, Wharves and Marine Issues sub-committee • Landcare groups

Key Direction 5

Effective Processes to Achieve Identified Objectives

Aim	Strategies	Actions	Primary consultation
Ensure Good Governance, Efficient Service Management Responsible Finance and Insurance Management	Good governance and leadership		
	Responsible insurance and financial managememnt	s	
	Efficient service management		