

7 Implementation

7.1 Management Structure

One of the major problems facing La Perouse is the multiplicity of authorities responsible for its management. The National Parks and Wildlife Service is responsible for the historic sites, Randwick City Council for some areas, Sydney Buses for the bus terminus, and so on. A perceived lack of coordination between these authorities, combined with an obvious lack of adequate resources for the management of such an important place have combined to produce the La Perouse we see today. For a place of national significance to both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians, La Perouse deserves better treatment.

Some residents and visitors look across local government boundaries and suggest that another council might do better. One option would be to put the entire headland at La Perouse under the care, control and management of a single authority - but which one should it be? The National Parks and Wildlife Service manages the largest area, divided somewhat by roads and other tenures. Would it or should it, however, be looking after main roads and commercial premises such as cafes? Randwick City Council does not have the resources or expertise to manage the historic sites. Protection and management of the Aboriginal sites are presently the responsibility of the Service but the local Koori (Aboriginal) community would like more of a say in the conservation of their culture.

The simplest solution is better coordination of the existing management. The preparation of this Plan has required the establishment of dialogue between the various relevant organisations and community groups with a stake in La Perouse. Formalisation and continuation of the existing Steering Committee, ideally with some statutory force, would be one way of ensuring better coordination of future decision-making for the place. An integrated approach to management is one positive step, ensuring things happen is another.

Implementation of the policies, strategies and actions recommended in this Plan cannot and will not take place without the political will on the part of all levels of government, community support and adequate levels of funding. There must be an ongoing commitment to the recognition of La Perouse as one of Australia's most important places and a commitment to manage it wisely and in a way which ensures its significance is retained and enhanced.

Policy Objectives

To provide for integrated management of La Perouse to ensure the conservation of the place's heritage significance and the implementation of this Plan.

Strategies

The management authorities will investigate mechanisms for achieving the policy objective including formalisation and continuation of the Steering Committee.

The following sections provide discussion of some opportunities for funding of the recommendations contained in this Plan.

7.2 Funding Opportunities

As a place of national heritage significance La Perouse must receive adequate levels of funding to ensure the conservation of its historical, aesthetic, social and educational values. The origin of funds will be determined to some extent by the nature of the management authority or authorities ultimately responsible for the site. Whatever these might be, both recurrent allocations and capital allocations for major works must be sufficient to redress past inaction and to maintain the place to a standard befitting its importance to Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal Australians.

Policy Objective

To allocate adequate resources for the implementation of this Plan.

7.2.1 Recurrent Allocation

Council should ensure that La Perouse receives sufficient recurrent allocation for the maintenance of roads, roadside verges, toilet facilities, picnic facilities, landscaping and beaches under its control. Similarly, the National Parks and Wildlife Service must make sure that its budget for La Perouse enables it to provide adequate levels of management for the areas under its care.

7.2.2 Capital Works Allocations

Adequate provision for implementation of the capital works recommended in this Plan should be factored into the forward estimates of all relevant management authorities.

7.2.3 Grants and Loans

Council should continue to apply through the National Estate Grants Program and the Heritage Assistance Program for financial assistance to carry out conservation works. Applications should also be made to relevant government agencies for education and cultural activities grants. Costed proposals for major conservation works with budgets in excess of \$40,000 should be prepared and forwarded to the Heritage Office for consideration under the State Government's new Heritage 2001 Program. La Perouse is a place of state significance and consequently meets a primary criterion for this Program. Expenditure may be spread over a period of up to four years. The closing date for this program is Friday 27 June 1997.

7.2.4 Sponsorship

Sponsorship is the provision to an organisation of financial support, services or goods by a person or firm, usually for some benefit such as advertising of the firm's product, naming rights, free or discounted use of facilities by the firm's staff, etc. Sponsors may provide assistance for purely altruistic reasons but most will need to satisfy their shareholders that it is money well spent. They will expect to receive such benefits as media coverage, kudos at functions, free advertising of their name and/or product and improved standing in the community as good corporate citizens.

While it is understood that neither the Council nor the Service is likely to approve sponsorship for the entire site, there may be an opportunity for corporate sponsorship of particular events and exhibits. The nature of the site, with its associations with maritime history, tourism, Aboriginal culture, the French people and communications means that there is a reservoir of organisations and firms which may see some benefit in association with such a significant site with links to their products or services. On the other hand, there is a view current in the corporate sector which sees negative aspects in association with historic sites, rather than those which emphasise the modern face of an industry. Historic La Perouse does, however, have the advantage of being able to offer potential sponsors the opportunity to contrast old with new and, most importantly, to tap into educational programs through curriculum relevance. Most sponsors look good if they support something which is helping future generations!

Strategies

- *Council will endeavour to ensure that La Perouse receives sufficient recurrent allocation for the maintenance of roads, roadside verges, toilet facilities, picnic facilities, landscaping and beaches under its control.*
- *The National Parks and Wildlife Service will endeavour to ensure that its recurrent budget for La Perouse enables it to provide adequate levels of management for the areas under its care.*
- *All relevant management authorities will endeavour to ensure that adequate provision for implementation of the capital works recommended in this Plan have been factored into their forward estimates.*
- *Management authorities will continue to apply through the National Estate Grants Program and the Heritage Assistance Program for financial assistance to carry out conservation works. Applications will also be made to relevant government agencies for education and cultural activities grants.*
- *The management authorities will have a well-defined sponsorship policies which make it quite clear to potential sponsors just what they can expect in return for their support.*

8 Action Plan

The Action Plan details those actions to be carried out for the implementation of the Management Plan. It identifies responsibilities and priorities for the actions and links them to the relevant sections in the Management Plan.

Abbreviations and Explanations

Responsibilities

Council= Randwick City Council

NPWS = National Parks and Wildlife Service

DLWC = NSW Department of Land and Water Conservation

RTA = Roads and Traffic Authority

Buses = Sydney Buses

Consultant = Consultant(s) engaged by Council

Contractor = Contractor(s) engaged by the Council

Priorities

Urgent = Actions to be commenced by end of 1997

High = Actions to be commenced by end of 1997 / 98

Medium = Actions to be commenced by end of 1998 / 99

Low = Actions to be commenced by end of 1999 / 2000

Ongoing = Actions to be carried out throughout the currency of this Plan

Cost Estimates

Where possible cost estimates for recommended actions are provided. In most cases these estimates are based on broad concepts and not detailed designs.

APPENDIX B

Action		Reference	Responsibility	Priority	Estimated Cost
1.0 Adoption, Monitoring & Review					
a	Adopt the Management Plan	2.10	Council	High	
b	Steering Committee should be retained and should meet every four (4) months to monitor, evaluate and review the Plan's performance	2.10	Council	High	
2.0 ACCESS, TRAFFIC & PARKING		6.2			
2.1 Bunnerong Road		6.2.1			
Council's officers to design and seek funding for the upgrading of the Bunnerong Road corridor using appropriate tree species including eg. Port Jackson Fig, Norfolk Island Pine the "Gateway" to La Perouse.		6.2.1	RTA/Council	Medium	
2.2 Anzac Parade		6.2.2			
a	Underground electrical cables in Anzac Parade from Bunnerong Road to the Loop.	6.2.2	Energy Australia/Council	High	Investigate use of Optus funds
b	NPWS to continue bush regeneration and support volunteer bush regeneration groups in the National Park to the east of Anzac Parade.	6.2.2	NPWS	High	Use local community to assist
c	Replace row of Coral Trees with a native species, <i>Angophora costata</i> or coastal Tea Tree are the preferred choices	6.2.2	Council	High	\$35-40 per tree plus preparation and labour
d	Construct footpath to improve pedestrian linkages to the area	6.2.2	Council	Medium	
e	Upgrade and manage road verges to provide for overflow parking at peak visitor times, taking pressure off suburban streets.	6.2.2	Council	Medium	Include in routine maintenance program
f	Council to write to Sydney Buses with a view to improving the design and surroundings of the bus shelter near Cann Park.	6.2.2	Council/Buses	Medium	
g	Demolish existing toilet block at the top of Congwong Bay and request that NPWS signpost the Cable Station toilets as a public facility.	6.2.2	Council/NPWS	Medium	
h	Assess heritage significance of bus shelter with a view to relocating this facility in a less visually sensitive location.	6.4.6	Council/Buses	Low	
2.3 Gateway Treatment		6.2.3			
a	Upgrade the gateway and entry road to reflect the national significance of Historic La Perouse.	6.2.3	RTA/Council	Medium	\$150,000 to \$200,00
b	Traffic Committee be requested to investigate the construction of a roundabout at the Anzac Parade/Bunnerong Road intersection. This roundabout should be planted with low level native species and have a sandstone feature wall with an appropriate inscription.	6.2.3	RTA/Council	Medium	\$150,000 to \$200,00

Action	Reference	Responsibility	Priority	Estimated Cost
c Commission and install a sculpture or other totemic device, flags etc symbolising the Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal history of the place.	6.2.3	RTA/Council/ ALC	Medium	Seek grant funds from Australia Council
2.4 The Loop Road	6.2.4			
a The Traffic Committee to consider conversion of Anzac Parade Loop Road to a clockwise one-way system with angle parking on the outer side, some parallel parking on the inner side and a perimeter footpath around the entire loop.	6.2.4	RTA/ Council	High	
b The Traffic Committee to consider a speed limit of 40 kilometres per hour to improve road safety and one-way movements in Endeavour Avenue and Goorawahl Avenue.	6.2.4	RTA/ Council	High	
c Council to write to various public transport authorities in order to investigate greater use of public transport, improved pedestrian links and cycle ways.	6.2.4	Council/RTA/ Sydney Buses/RTA	Medium	
2.5 Link to Yarra Bay	6.2.5			
Implement link from La Perouse to Yarra Bay by means of a walking track which will incorporate the 'Bush Tucker Trail' following the resolution of Native Title Claims.	6.2.6	Council/ Aboriginal Community	Medium	
2.6 Goorawahl Avenue and Endeavour Avenue	6.2.6			
a A 'Residents Parking Scheme' in Goorawahl and Endeavour Avenues is to be considered by the Randwick Traffic Committee.	6.2.6	Council	High	
b One-way movement in Goorawahl Avenue (north to south) to be considered by Randwick Traffic Committee.	6.2.6	Council/ Engineers/ Traffic Committee	High	
2.7 Walking Tracks and Linkages	6.2.7			
a Upgrade and develop a comprehensive system of walking tracks and trails linking Historic La Perouse with Yarra Bay and Henry Head to form a continuous coastal walkway. (Refer to 2.5 'Link to Yarra Bay for Council responsibility)	6.2.7	Council/NPWS/ Aboriginal Community/ DLWC	Medium	Investigate funding from the DLWC Coastal Infrastructure Programme
b Implementation of the "Interpretive Plan" as developed by NPWS relating to walking trails to complement signage proposed by Randwick City Council and Aboriginal Land Council. (Refer to 7.2. (a) of this Action Plan)	6.2.7	Council/NPWS/ Aboriginal Community/ DLWC	Medium	Investigate funding from the DLWC Coastal Infrastructure Programme
c Ensure that the track systems developed by various management authorities are of consistent and compatible design.	6.2.7	Council/NPWS/ Aboriginal Community/ DLWC	Medium	Investigate funding from the DLWC Coastal Infrastructure Programme

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d Produce brochures for self guided walks that incorporate a map and interpretive information about the route.	6.2.7	Council/NPWS/ Aboriginal Community/ DLWC	Medium	Investigate funding from the DLWC Coastal Infrastructure Programme
2.8 Ferry Link and Wharf	6.2.8			
a Investigate reinstatement of a ferry link between La Perouse and Kurnell as a means of improving transport links across Botany bay and enhancing tourism opportunities between sites of major heritage significance via La Perouse and Captain Cook's Landing Place.	6.2.8	Randwick City Council/ Sutherland Shire Council/ NPWS/DLWC/Ports Corporation/ Waterways Authority/ Private consortia	Low	
2.9 Road links to adjoining areas	6.2.9			
a Identify and signpost a scenic tourist route (for driving and / or cycling) linking La Perouse with Yarra Bay, Botany Cemetery, the site of Bunnerong Power Station, Molineux Point.	6.2.9	Council/ RTA/Sydney Ports Corporation/ Aboriginal Community	Low	
b Steering Committee to resubmit letter of request to extend Bondi to La Perouse tourist bus service once it has been determined that demand for this service has increased.	6.2.9	Council/ NPWS/ Sydney Buses	Medium	
3.0 General Landscape Character, Design and Aesthetics	6.3			
a Maintain the open landscape character of the La Perouse Headland consisting mainly of grassed areas with sandstone outcrops.	6.3	Council/ NPWS	Ongoing	
b Retain all remnant native vegetation.	6.3	Council/NPWS	Ongoing	
c Develop areas of low native shrubs and groundcovers, particularly along the cliff lines and around sandstone outcrops to displace weeds, to enhance the landscape quality and assist in separating grassed recreation areas from potentially dangerous cliffs while ensuring that present views are maintained.	6.3	NPWS	Ongoing	
d Continue the program of weed control and bush regeneration in the disturbed areas and bushland surrounding La Perouse	6.3	NPWS	Ongoing	
e Following determination of Native Title Claims Council's Landscape Architects and the Aboriginal Lands Council are to design and locate signs, fences, barriers, rubbish bins and picnic facilities to enhance the landscape character and draw upon La Perouse's heritage significance	6.3	Council/ NPWS	High and Ongoing	

	Action	Reference	Responsibility	Priority	Estimated Cost
3.1	Tree Planting				
	Strategically place new trees to maximise the landscape character of the study area and allow for views.	6.3.1			
		6.3.1	Council/ NPWS	Medium	
4.1	Fencing treatments				
a.	Develop detailed designs for a new range of fences and barriers, based on the concepts presented in this Plan, for use within the Historic La Perouse area to replace the existing fencing as funds become available and replace existing fencing with approved design as old fencing falls into disrepair.	6.3.2			
		6.3.2	Council/ NPWS	Medium	
b.	Construct fencing and barriers that do not impede pedestrian access except where safety/security is necessary and are of a durable construction to withstand high levels of use, environmental conditions and require minimal maintenance.	6.3.2	Council/ NPWS/ RTA/Sydney Buses	Ongoing	
3.3	Stormwater Drainage				
		6.3.3			
a.	Drain Cam Park effectively and ensure that any works do not have an adverse impact on the adjoining area of Botany Bay National Park.	6.3.3	Council/ NPWS	High	
b.	Monitor the quality of the La Perouse Peninsula receiving waters on a regular basis.	6.3.3	Council/ NPWS	Ongoing	
c.	Investigate the feasibility of installing trash racks or a Gross Pollution Traps in the catchment area above Happy Valley. Investigations must also take into consideration and make recommendations on the maintenance of the devices.	6.3.3	Council/ NPWS	High	
4.0	SPECIFIC AREAS				
4.1	Frenchmans Bay				
		6.4			
a.	Prepare a Plan of Management for Frenchmans and Yarra Bays that will comprise a detailed Masterplan for these reserves based on the concepts of this plan following determination of the Native Title Claim.	6.4.1			
		6.4.1	Council	High	\$10,000
b.	Replace the existing concrete picnic shelter with a new shelter or shelters of a more attractive design, the height of which must not far exceed the existing shelter's height. A hipped-roof type with four picnic niches is preferred.	6.4.1	Council	Medium	
c.	Renovate the turf and implement a comprehensive maintenance program to establish and maintain an adequate natural surface for the Reserve.	6.4.1	Council	Medium	
d.	Remove the existing timber retaining walls when they fall into disrepair and replace with sandstone blockwork or grassed embankments.	6.4.1	Council	Medium	
e.	Replace the coral trees when they are showing signs of old age and potential dropping of limbs.	6.4.1	Council	Medium	\$25-\$40 per tree plus preparation and labour

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f Construct new timber steps with handrail to replace the present informal access to the beach at the southwestern end of the Boatshed Cafe.	6.4.1	Council	Medium	
g Thin native vegetation at the back of the beach selectively to improve security and open up views while maintaining dune stabilisation.	6.4.1	Council	High	May be eligible for DLWC funding
4.2 Cann Park	6.4.2			
a Provide a sealed surface for the existing carpark. Finish to be durable and approved by the Steering Committee. Drainage of Cann Park to be implemented in conjunction with carpark construction.	6.4.2	Council	Medium	
b Replace the existing timber parking barriers with a new, standardised design to provide consistent barrier treatments throughout the area.	6.4.2	Council	Medium	
c Install interpretive signage at the head of the proposed Happy Valley Track.	6.4.2	NPWS	High	
d Encourage the continued operation of reptile handling demonstrations at the Snake Pit as an important part of the cultural heritage of La Perouse.	6.4.2 6.7.4	Council/ NPWS	Ongoing	
4.3 Congwong Bay	6.4.3			
Maintain low height native vegetation above the cliff line at the western end of Congwong Bay to improve visual amenity and enhance public safety without reducing views.	6.4.3	Council/ NPWS	Ongoing	
4.4 Bare Island	6.4.4			
a Manage Bare Island in accordance with the National Parks and Wildlife Service Conservation Plan.	6.4.4	NPWS	Ongoing	
b Construct steps from the northern end of the bridge to provide improved access to the rock platform for SCUBA divers, snorkellers, anglers and sightseers.	6.4.4	NPWS	Medium	May be eligible for funding from DLWC for coastal foreshores
c Construct a new ladder or steps from the southern end of the bridge, to provide improved access to the rock platform for SCUBA divers, snorkellers, anglers and sightseers.	6.4.4	NPWS	High	
4.5 Inside the Loop	6.4.5			
a Manage the Cable Station, Watchtower and Historic Monuments in accordance with the National Parks and Wildlife Service Conservation Plan and Interpretation Plan.	6.4.5	NPWS	Ongoing	
b Consider works to allow controlled public access to the upper level of the Watchtower.	6.4.5	NPWS	Low	
c Plant low height native plants in selected positions around the sandstone outcrops to enhance nature conservation and visual quality without detracting from views.	6.4.5	NPWS	Medium	

Action		Reference	Responsibility	Priority	Estimated Cost
d	Install a limited number of picnic tables and seats in the area to the north of the Cable Station, adjacent to the Loop Road.	6.4.9	NPWS	Medium	
e	Plant appropriately located individual shade trees (eg. Ficus rubiginosa) along the southern side of the north end of the Loop Road to enhance visitor amenity and allow for continued views through to the south side of Botany Bay from Anzac Parade and to help screen commercial development.	6.4.5	NPWS/	High	\$160 per tree plus tree guards, preparation and labour
f	Investigate lighting for the La Perouse Monument and the tomb of Pere le Receveur with a view to improving the night-time presentation and security of these monuments.	6.4.5 6.6.1	NPWS	Medium	
g	Support by means of permanently allocating a space for the continued sale of Aboriginal artefacts, art and craft as part of the cultural heritage of La Perouse.	6.4.5 6.7.4	NPWS/ Council	Ongoing	
4.6	Granite Drinking Trough	6.4.7			
	Conserve and interpret by means of a sign or plaque the Jessie Stuart Bloomfield drinking trough.	6.4.7	NPWS	High	
5.0	Visitor Facilities and Amenities	6.5			
	Indicate the locations of toilets and changing facilities on a map at the Information Bay to be located on the eastern side of Anzac Parade.	6.5.1	NPWS/ Council	High	
5.1	Rubbish Bins	6.5.3			
a	Replace existing garbage bins with new bins in line with Council's Urban Design Guidelines and recommendation of the Landscape Architecture staff.	6.5.3	Council/ NPWS	Medium	
b	In order to minimise the impact of garbage bins, wherever possible, locate new bins in recycling centres, ideally mounted on smooth concrete pads with screens of galvanised, powder coated steel to reduce their visual impact.	6.5.3	Council/ NPWS	Medium	
c	Locate bins where they are needed by visitors but in such a way that they do not detract from views of other aspects of heritage significance.	6.5.3	Council/ NPWS	Ongoing	
6.0	SECURITY AND SAFETY	6.6			
6.1	Lighting	6.6.1			
	Investigate lighting of the La Perouse Monuments for improved night-time presentation and security.	6.6.1	NPWS	Low	
6.2	Safety, Risk Management and Insurance	6.6.2			
	Advise all staff and voluntary workers of the scope of the public liability coverage and appropriate risk management practices.	6.6.2	All management authorities	High	

	Action	Reference	Responsibility	Priority	Estimated Cost
7.0 CULTURAL TOURISM					
7.1 Interpretation		6.7			
	Provide appropriate brochures, signage and other interpretive material at various strategic locations through the La Perouse Precinct.	6.7.1			
7.2 Signage			Council/NPWS/ Aboriginal Community	Medium	
a.	Install future signage at La Perouse in accordance with the National Parks and Wildlife Service signage design standards. The Service's existing cream and green colour scheme harmonises with the setting and is considered an appropriate model for La Perouse as a whole. This should include Council managed areas. Appropriate logos should be used to identify management authority.	6.7.2		Ongoing	
b.	Develop a detailed 'hierarchy' of signage types and styles, based on the concepts presented in this Plan.	6.7.2	NPWS/ Council	Ongoing	
c.	Use dual English/Aboriginal language signs wherever possible.	6.7.2	All management authorities	Ongoing	
7.3 Marketing & Merchandising		6.7.3			
a.	NPWS to consider development of a Marketing and Merchandising Plan based on innovative programs which stress and merchandising "heritage correctness", with sufficient resources aimed at the young to encourage future support.	6.7.3	NPWS	Medium	
b.	NPWS to consider investigation of opportunities for Historic La Perouse to tap into the tourism market developing around planned celebrations for the turn of the century, the Sydney 2000 Olympic Games and the Centenary of Federation in 2001.	6.7.3	NPWS	High	
c.	Investigate the possible use of Historic La Perouse as a venue for special cultural events.	6.7.3	All management authorities	Medium	
d.	NPWS to consider conducting exit surveys on a regular basis to gauge visitor satisfaction and establish a database for future events and activities.	6.7.3	NPWS	Ongoing	
8.0 MANAGEMENT / FUTURE PLANNING		6.8			
8.1 Controlled Activities		6.8.1			
a.	The Traffic Committee be requested to investigate the restriction of vehicle speeds to 40 kilometres per hour on the Loop Road.	6.8.1	Council	Urgent	
b.	Provide appropriate signage and dog bins to encourage owners to keep dogs on leads and to collect any droppings for deposit in bins specially provided for the purpose.	6.8.1	Council/ NPWS	High	

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c The Waterway Authority be requested and control the operation of personal water craft such as jetskies in the waters around La Perouse, in accordance with New South Wales Waterways Authority regulations.	6.8.1	Waterways Authority	Urgent and ongoing	
d Ensure food outlets, including mobile facilities, comply with health and other relevant regulations and are located carefully to avoid any adverse heritage or visual impacts on the La Perouse Peninsula.	6.8.1	Council/ NPWS	Urgent and ongoing	
8.2 Adjoining Land Uses and Development	6.8.2			
Relevant planning authorities to be notified of the contents of the plan to ensure that the heritage significance of the study area is taken into account when determining planning proposals.	6.8.2	Council/ DUAP/ DLWC	Ongoing	
9.0 GENERAL MAINTENANCE	6.9			
a Ensure there is no conflict between the maintenance activities of the various maintenance authorities.	6.9	All management authorities	Ongoing	
b Management Authorities be requested to investigate Maintenance Programme options for La Perouse.	6.9	All management authorities	Ongoing	
c Give priority to the protection of historic and archaeological fabric at all times.	6.9	All management authorities	Ongoing	
d Develop a program of community awareness, cleanups and mechanisms for alerting them to problems.	6.9	All management authorities	High and ongoing	
10.0 OTHER MANAGEMENT ISSUES	6.10			
10.1 Research	6.10.1			
Ensure that copies of existing research findings and the Management Plan are available to the public and other relevant organisation.	6.10.1	All management authorities	Ongoing	
10.2 Archives	6.10.2			
Consider the development of an archives policy which provides for the conservation, recording, storage and easy retrieval of archival material relating to Historic La Perouse	6.10.2	All management authorities	Low	
11.0 IMPLEMENTATION	7			
11.1 Management Structure	7.1			
Formalise and continue the Steering Committee to meet every 4 months to discuss and implement the Action Plan as appropriate.	7.1	All management authorities	Urgent	
11.2 Funding Opportunities	7.2			
a The National Parks and Wildlife Service will endeavour to ensure that its recurrent budget for La Perouse enables it to provide adequate levels of management for the areas under its care.	7.2.1	NPWS	Urgent and ongoing	

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b. As funds become available for the La Perouse Management Plan, the Steering Committee will nominate, according to the Action Plan those items that will be implemented in the relevant financial year.	7.2.2	All management authorities	Urgent and ongoing	
c. Continue to apply through the National Estate Grants Program the Coastal Infrastructure Programme and the Heritage Assistance Program for financial assistance to carry out conservation works. Also make applications to relevant government agencies for education and cultural activities grants.	7.2.3	All management authorities	Ongoing Urgent for Heritage 2001 Applications	

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10 Appendices

10.1 Consultants' Brief

10.2 Results of La Perouse Precinct - Community Needs and Priorities Survey 1979

10.3 Results of Visitor Survey 1987

10.4 Results of the COSRPOM Community Survey 1995

10.5 Results of Visitor Survey 1997

10.6 Outcomes of Community Workshop held 28 February 1997

10.7 Survey of Residents 1997

10.8 Survey of Aboriginal Residents and Workers 1997

10.9 Comment by State Land Services, Sydney / South Coast Region on draft Historic la Perouse Management Plan

10.10 Letter from Department of Land and Water Conservation regarding Coastal Management Program Funding for La Perouse

10.11 Submission from La Perouse Precinct Committee February 1997

10.12 Korewal Native Title Application NC96/10 Explanatory Note and Maps

10.13 Letter from NSW Premier to La Perouse Precinct Committee re La Perouse Museum and Visitor Centre, Botany Bay National Park

10.14 Visitor Survey Form

10.15 Discussion Paper for Community Workshop

HISTORIC LA PEROUSE MANAGEMENT PLAN

CONSULTANTS BRIEF

1. BACKGROUND

Historic La Perouse is located within the Botany Bay National Park at the termination of Anzac Parade. It is an area of outstanding natural beauty and cultural value.

Recognition of the cultural significance and recreation potential of the Historic La Perouse area and the need for a sensitive and coordinated approach to its management prompted a meeting of interested land owners and managers at the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) Sydney District Office in December, 1993. The meeting resolved to form a steering committee that would oversee the preparation of a Management Plan for the La Perouse Headland. The first Steering Committee meeting, which was held on 8 June, 1994 comprised of representatives from:

- » Randwick City Council
- La Perouse business community
- La Perouse Aboriginal Land Council
- La Perouse residents
- National Parks and Wildlife Service

The Steering Committee where relevant also consult with the:-

- State Transit Authority
- Roads and Traffic Authority
- Sydney Ports Corporation

The Steering Committee's current task is to select consultants and oversee the development of the Management Plan.

2. AIM AND OBJECTIVES OF THE STUDY

Aim:

To develop a coordinated Management Plan for the Historic Area of La Perouse that provides 'vision' and an appreciation of the area's values and stakeholder needs, while drawing on past relevant studies.

Objectives:

To develop strategies that:

- * conserve, promote and interpret the significant natural and cultural (historic and archaeological) values of La Perouse;
- * increase public appreciation and understanding of the cultural and natural values of the study area through improved promotion, interpretation, access and facilities;
- * identify and develop the recreation potential of Historic La Perouse; and
- * improve the visual quality of the Historic La Perouse Area.

The above strategies must be achieved in consultation with the La Perouse resident and business

community, NP&WS, the local Aboriginal community and the RTA and STA, as represented through the Steering Committee.

3. THE STUDY AREA

The study area comprises the non-residential areas shown in figure 1 (attached) of this brief. The term 'Historic La Perouse' has been adopted to generally describe the La Perouse headland and, in particular, the area of Botany Bay National Park which includes the former 'La Perouse Monuments Historic Site and Bare Island Historic Site.

There are a number of different owners and land managers in this area as identified below:

NPWS owned land/buildings within Botany Bay National Park

- La Perouse Historic Monuments area
- La Perouse Museum
- Bare Island
- Aboriginal Art Gallery

Council owned/managed on behalf of State Lands or the RTA:

- Cann Park,
- car parking areas
- Snake Pit
- the Loop Road and Anzac Parade

State Transit Authority/Roads and Traffic Authority:

- Bus shelter and turning area
- RTA parcel(s) of land

Department of Land and Water Conservation:

- permissive occupancies (eg. The Boat Shed Cafe)

Sydney Ports Corporation

- foreshores below mean high water mark.

4. SCOPE OF WORK

Preparation of the Draft Historic La Perouse Management Plan for community exhibition purposes followed by finalisation of the plan. The Management Plan must provide for the sensitive management and development of the study area drawing on existing relevant studies, local information resources and relevant statutory controls and instruments. It is important that the Historic La Perouse Management Plan also address ways in which the study area might interface with adjoining important locations such as the 'Yarra Bay Pleasure Grounds'. Community consultation will be undertaken (see section 5 of this document)

4.1 Specific Issues To Be Addressed

The following specific issues will need to be addressed in relation to the significant cultural values of the study area. They must be addressed both on a holistic level and more specifically in relation to the various land components of the study area as identified in Section 3 of this study brief:

- **Recreation** - use of beaches, water and land-based open space areas, museum, art gallery and historic monuments by visitors participating in a number of recreational pursuits.
- **Cultural Tourism** - improved and coordinated promotion of La Perouse as a significant cultural tourism destination through the appropriate management of facilities and attractions such as the La Perouse Museum, Bare Island and open space on the peninsula, Cann Park, etc.
- **Interpretation** - guidelines to interpret and promote the natural and cultural values of La Perouse and to create a "sense of place".
- **Gateway concept** - the provision of a design concept to enable visitors to experience a sense of arrival at La Perouse.
- **Access** - pedestrian, vehicular, public transport, bicycle, water. Options to improve access to and movement around the study area are to be provided. These may include rationalisation of traffic flow and parking, modification of the loop road, promotion of public transport and encouraging exploration of the site on foot or by bicycle.
- **Wharf** - a design concept for a wharf, including its location and possible uses (such as ferry services from Brighton, mooring facilities, etc).
- **Landscape design and aesthetics** - minimise visual pollution and improve the overall aesthetic quality of the area through re-vegetation and thinning where appropriate, establishing view corridors, and new path, signage, car parking and lighting designs.
- **Public amenities** - address design and provision of toilets, showers, disabled facilities, bus shelters, parking and bicycle racks.
- **Commercial outlets** - food outlets, cafe's, shops and general commercial use of the site.
- **Communication** - among the various land owners and managers, the community and commercial interests

4.2. Specific Tasks

- Collect, collate and assess information and data relative to the study area including the relevant studies listed in Section 8 of this brief
- Identification of community, landowner/manager and stakeholder values for the site
- On site assessment of the constraints and opportunities within the study area

- Development of strategies which address all issues identified in Section 4 of this Study Brief based on identified values, opportunities and constraints of the site
- Develop a community consultation strategy
- Design of concept plans that identify how the strategies will take effect and what the expected outcome will look like
- Provide an estimate for the cost of the works broken down into appropriate construction stages. Indicate the priority for each construction stage.

5. CONSULTATION AND LIAISON

The Project Manager is Randwick City Council and the nominated officer is:

- Manager - Design and Traffic; Mr Frank Rotta,

If Mr Rotta is unavailable the consultant may contact

- Strategic Planner - Works; Ms Adrienne Jeuda; and/or
- Heritage Planner - Planning; Ms Lexie Macdonald.

Day to day liaison will be through the Project Manager.

- Up to five meetings to be undertaken by the Consultants with the Steering Committee at the La Perouse Museum including:
 - * 1-2 progress meetings/site visits
 - * presentation of draft Management Plan
 - * finalisation of draft Management Plan

There will be continual consultation with the Steering Committee regarding management of issues within their areas of expertise.

A public consultation process should be specified by the consultants (bearing in mind that a number of studies have already been undertaken) which identifies community and stakeholder values for the study area. This may be undertaken jointly with the Steering Committee.

6. REPORTS AND DOCUMENTATION

The successful consultants are expected to undertake and provide all relevant documentation that addresses the Specific Issues and Tasks identified in Section 4 and produce the following:

- (i) Production of draft Plan of Management:
 - * 1 X 1 (A4) loose leaf copy; and
 - * 8 X 1 (A4) bound copies (for each member of the steering committee)
- (ii) Draft Strategies and drawings presented on a minimum two A1 sheets suitable for public exhibition to explain the Plan of Management

- (iii) Production of final Plan of Management:
- * 1 X 1 (A4) loose leaf copy; and
 - * 8 X 1 (A4) bound copies (for each member of the steering committee)
 - * 1 X 1 disk version of the final plan (compatible with Word Perfect Version 6)
- (iv) Final Strategies and drawings presented on a minimum two A1 sheets

NOTE: ALL DOCUMENTS ARE TO BE PRESENTED IN A FORMAT THAT COMPLIES WITH RANDWICK CITY COUNCIL AND NATIONAL PARKS AND WILDLIFE SERVICES DOCUMENTATION STANDARDS - liaise with the project managers

7. SUPERVISION

The study will be supervised by the Project Manager under the direction of the Steering Committee. All articles or promotions prepared or intended for media release or public viewing must be approved by the Project Manager.

8. AVAILABLE INFORMATION RESOURCES

The Steering Committee will provide:

Maps/Plans

- Council Base Plans and orthophoto maps
- Zoning Plans
- ferry wharf plans
- NPWS maps

Planning Studies

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| • Botany Bay National Park; Draft Plan of Management, 1996 | NPWS |
| • La Perouse Headland Conservation Plan, 1993 | NPWS |
| • Landscape Analysis for La Perouse Headland and Bare Island | NPWS & Public Works Dept. |
| • Signage Design Standards (Extracts) | NPWS |
| • Identification Signs for Sydney Region National Parks | NPWS |
| • The Cable Station at La Perouse Conservation Plan, 1987 | Public Works Dept. |
| • La Perouse Precinct Planning Report, 1979 | Randwick City Council |
| • City Open Space and Recreation Strategic Plan | Randwick City Council |
| • Beach and Coastal Reserves Generic Plan of Management | Randwick City Council |
| • Remnant Bushland Generic Plan Of Management | Randwick City Council |
| • State of the Environment Report, 1996 | Randwick City Council |

The above studies will be made available at Council's Customer Service Centre
Ground Floor
30 Frances Street
Randwick, 2031

Between the hours of 8.30am to 5.30pm Monday to Friday (except for public holidays)

9. PROJECT BUDGET AND DURATION

- * Available funding -- up to \$20,000.
- * Time-frame and programme to be nominated by the consultant for acceptance by the Steering Committee.

10. TENDER SELECTION CRITERIA

The consultant will be selected on the basis of:

- (i) The quality of the tender and, if invited, the subsequent presentation.
- (ii) Previous relevant experience. (Examples of previous work will need to be made available to the Steering Committee)
- (iii) The demonstrated ability to conform to the study aims and objectives, agreed time frames and budgets.
- (iv) An understanding of the management requirements of the social and historic environment and the natural and cultural landscapes within the Historic La Perouse study area.

11. COPYRIGHT AND CONFIDENTIALITY

All material produced as a result of the Study will become the joint property of the National Parks and Wildlife Service and Randwick City Council and will not be subject to copyright or any other restrictions on its use after publication. However, where extracts are used, they shall be appropriately acknowledged.

All published works arising from, or in any way connected with, the appointment of the consultancy for this project, will remain confidential until it is fully published by the Steering Committee. Alternatively, the Committee's written permission must be obtained prior to disclosure.

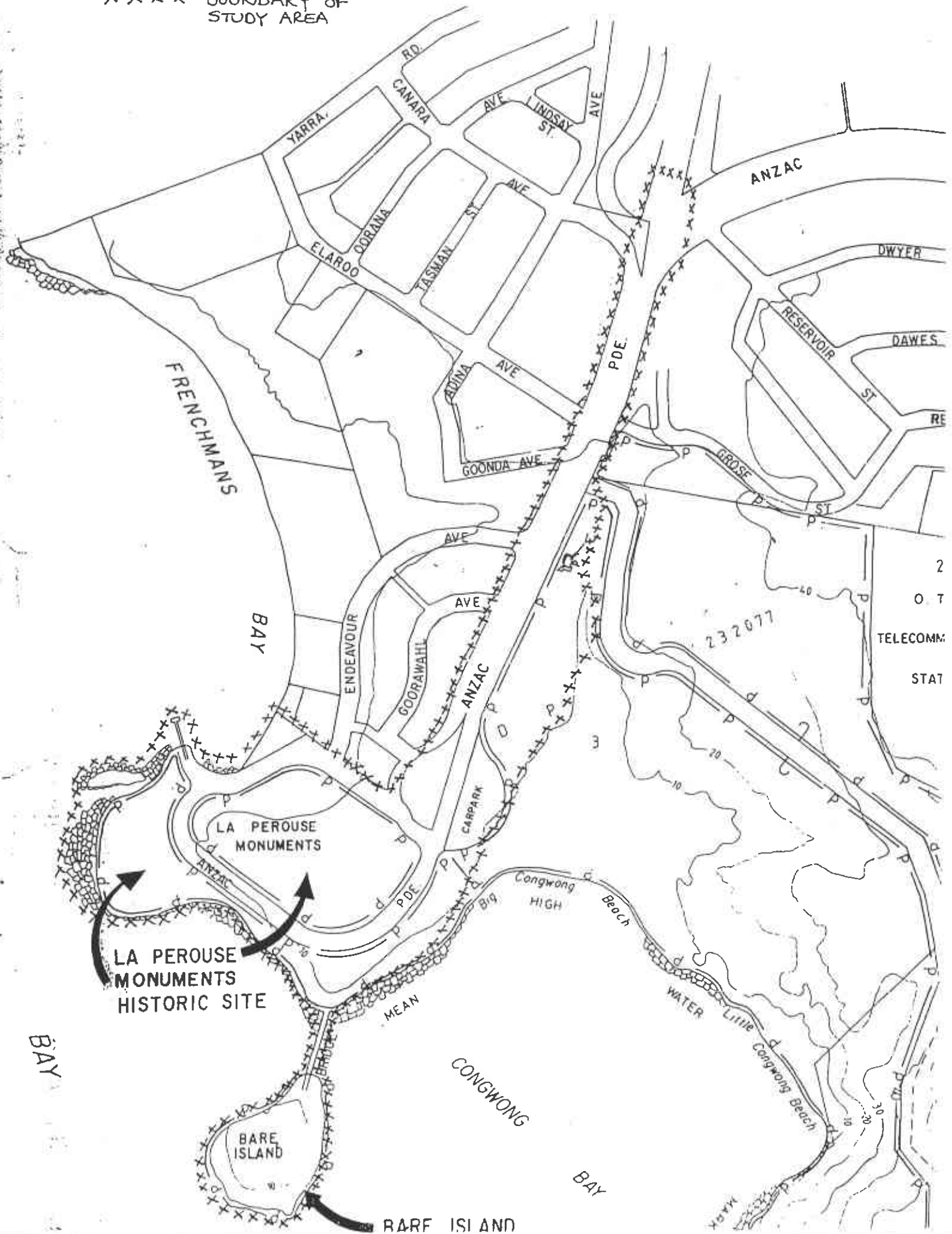
12. TERMINATION

The Steering Committee reserves the right to terminate the project with appropriate reason, upon giving the Consultant fourteen days prior notice in writing. Whereupon the Consultant shall submit a final memorandum of the total costs, fees and expenses incurred until the date of termination.

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XXXX BOUNDARY OF STUDY AREA



Appendix 10.2 Results of La Perouse Precinct - Community Needs and Priorities Survey 1979

A resident's survey was conducted as part of the La Perouse Precinct Planning Report conducted by Randwick Council in 1979. This survey was broadly focussed on the Precinct as a whole not just on the headland area. Of the 400 questionnaires issued there were 61 returns. This survey, conducted over 18 years ago, provides some useful information, particularly when compared to the results of the more recent surveys also discussed.

APPENDIX 1.

1. Existing Conditions in La Perouse

	Good	Average	Bad	Total
Jobs	7	17	24	48
Schools	32	18	3	53
Housing	20	29	6	55
Shopping	3	9	43	57
Roads	15	25	18	58
Parking	23	25	10	58
Footpath paving	8	17	32	57
Kerb & guttering	9	20	29	58
Traffic congestion	31	22	4	57
Public Transport	12	27	17	56
Garbage collection	41	16	1	58
Drainage	16	10	32	58
Recreation	20	19	15	54
Playing fields	27	21	9	57
Social Welfare Assistance	16	11	19	46
Historical buildings - preservation	16	22	19	57
Historical buildings - signposting	9	18	30	57
Passive recreation	14	14	21	49
Beaches	16	14	28	58
Shelter & facilities at beaches	6	4	48	58
Tourism	11	25	18	54
Street Tree Planting	8	22	29	59
Littering	0	8	51	59
Dog nuisance	1	25	33	59
Noise problems	6	17	36	59
Water pollution	4	20	33	57
Air pollution	7	19	33	59
Scenery	31	20	8	59
Medical services	30	12	14	56
Community facilities	9	9	38	56
Library	16	10	29	53
Total	458	527	728	1713

2. What do you like most?

al	Open space and bushland	36
48	Beaches & water access	33
53	Low density housing	17
55	Lack of through traffic	13
57	Scenery	11
58	Quietness	12
58	Historic Sites	9
57	The people	8
58	Lack of industry	4
57	Closeness to City	4
56	Everything	3
58	Small population	3
58	Good school	1
54	Closeness to work	1
57	Lack of alcohol	1
46	Sailing	1
57	Weather	1
57	Lack of hooliganism	1
49	Well-kept homes & gardens	1
58	Aboriginal reserve	1

3. What do you dislike most?

Littering and abandoned vehicles	32
Industrial development	19
Noise pollution	12
Vandalism and theft	12
Off-road vehicles	9
Lack of amenities	9
Oil refinery	9
Lack of trees and landscaping	6
Air pollution	5
Port development	3
Water pollution	4
Development proposals generally	3
Drainage	3
Public transport	5
Footpath paving	2
Road conditions	4
Dog nuisance	2
General maintenance	1
Lack of property pride	1
Bus stop shelter	1
Street lighting	1
Prison escapes	1
Garbage removal	1

4. Would you like to see future growth in La Perouse?

Yes	21
No	39

5. What things should be best left untouched?

Beaches	22
Bushland	22
Parks & Sport facilities	23
Open Space Areas	15
Historic Buildings & sites	13
Bare Island	14
Botany Bay	6
Scenery	5
Residential development	6
Congwong Bay	2
Nature strips	2
Chinese gardens	2
Birdlife	1
Tourism	1
Horse riding	1

6. What type of residential buildings are unsuitable for La Perouse?

Cottages	2
Townhouses	24
Three storey flats	58
High rise flats	59

7. Should tourism be encouraged in La Perouse?

Yes	35
No	16

8. What type of tourist facilities are needed?

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Motel	4
Caravan Park	4
Convention Centre	9
Hotel	3
Restaurant	32
Concert amphitheatre	7
Boat Marina	17
Aboriginal art museum	40
Arts & Crafts Display & Sales	35
Park landscaping	51
Cycleways	22
Jogging tracks	25
Swimming pool	20
Aquarium	14
Others - Seats & shelter	4
Picnic areas	4
Bubblers	1
Kiosk (Congwong)	1
Shark net (Congwong)	1
Bare Island restoration	1
Signpost historic sites	1
Amenities	1
Information centre	2
Launch to Kurnell	1
Bus terminus	1
Guided tours	1
Boat ramp	1
Beach cleaning	4
Pony club facilities	1

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9. Do you think that Council rates in the area are -

Very high	7
High	13
Average	38
Low	0
Very low	0

10. Other suggestions

Open space landscaping & Cleanup	28
Improve police supervision	10
Picnic facilities & amenities	5
Bus shelter	2
Public Hall	1
Control Industrial Development	13
Control Off-road vehicles	5
Improve roads & drainage	7
Provide boat ramp	2
Provide street lighting	2
Improve parking	2
Remove garbage dump	3
Improve sporting facilities, teenager, ponyclub	4
Promote tourism	3
Discourage tourism	1
Discourage development generally	4
Discourage horse riding in streets	1
Discourage noise pollution	3
Discourage air pollution	3
Discourage water pollution	4
Preserve historic buildings	1
Preserve market garden barrier	1
Preserve natural character of Congwong Bay	2

Appendix 10.3 Results of the Visitor Survey 1987

A visitor survey was conducted on Sunday 14 April, 1987 as part of the market research associated with the Cable Station Conservation Plan prepared by the NSW Public Works Department. Relevant information gained from this survey is summarised in the following.

Place of residence

- 3 % were La Perouse residents
- 21 % lived within 5 km of La Perouse
- 8 % came from overseas

Frequency of visitation

- 14 % were very frequent visitors
- 32 % had visited several times in the past year

Length of stay

- 80 % stayed for more than one hour

Purpose of visit

- Sightseeing (majority)
- 'historic sightseeing' (20%)

Improvements suggested

- Trees and shelter
- more seating
- BBQs and picnic areas

New developments supported (when prompted)

- Ferry to Kurnell (79 %)
- Local History Museum (54 %)
- Walking trails (50 %)
- Aboriginal museum (48 %)
- Explorers Museum (41 %)
- Aboriginal Craft Shop (36 %)

Appendix 10.4 Results of the COSRPOM Community Survey 1995

A community survey, undertaken by Council during 1995 as part of the Randwick City Open Space and Recreation Plan of Management (COSRPOM), analysed 640 responses to a detailed survey distributed to 8000 household throughout Randwick. Many of the findings of the COSRPOM survey correlate strongly with the findings of the visitor survey undertaken for La Perouse as part of this Plan thus indicating that the study area shares many of the issues that are experienced in other coastal reserves within Randwick. Findings of the COSRPOM survey that are most relevant to the management of Historic La Perouse are summarised below.

#	Question	Most popular responses
Q 1.	<i>Which facilities did people require more of ?</i> (282 responses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Shade structures (46.2.%) • Coastal walking Trails (44.6%) • Bike lanes (37%)
Q 3.	<i>Which three options will best improve the general appearance of the City's open space areas ?</i> (662 responses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide native plants (53.3%) • Demolishing/refurbishing unsightly buildings and designing new buildings to be in keeping with the open space location (54.2%) • Providing attractive park furniture (49.2%)
Q 4	<i>the most effective ways that Council can raise peoples awareness of the natural environment ?</i> (662 responses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of interpretive signage (57%) • Provision of School kits (54.5%) • Provision of an environment centre (41.6%)
Q 5.	<i>Open space areas where maintenance practices should be increased</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Beach areas (90.7%) • Playgrounds (51%) • Sports parks (37%)
Q 6.	<i>Which type of maintenance required more attention within open space areas ?</i> (623 response)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Removal of litter (66.3%) • Removal of graffiti (56.5%) • Maintenance of amenities buildings (44%)
Q 7.	<i>Which areas of health and safety should have the highest priority?</i> (612 responses)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • removal of glass and needles (70.9%) • removal of rubbish (61.6%) • policing anti-social activity (49.2%)
Q 13.	<i>Appropriate (non-traditional) facilities in well used parks ..</i> (623 response)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Occasional concerts (62%) • Outdoor plays / cinema (47%) • Coffee shops (44.5%) • Kiosks (43.2%) • Arts and crafts fairs (41.4%)

Appendix 10.5 Results of the Visitor Survey 1997

10.5.1 Normal Place of Residence

Visitors were asked to indicate their normal place of residence by name or postcode, and by country if they were from overseas. There were a total of 153 responses to this question.

Normal Place of residence	Number of Visitors	% of Visitors
Eastern Suburbs of Sydney	46	30
Rest of Sydney	58	38
Regional New South Wales	15	10
Interstate	17	11
Overseas	17	11

Comment

These figures show an increase in visitation by residents of nearby suburbs since the 1987 survey, when 24% of those surveyed lived at La Perouse or within 5 kilometres of the site. The numbers of overseas tourists have also increased, up from 8% in 1987, reflecting the general increase in international tourism to Sydney, and probably the increased attention focussed on Sydney since that time.

10.5.2 Frequency of Visit

Visitors were asked how frequently they visited La Perouse. There were 143 responses to this question.

Frequency of Visit	Number in Category	Percentage of Total
At least daily	10	7.0%
At least weekly	17	11.0%
At least monthly	22	15.4%
At least yearly	21	14.7%
Less than yearly	18	12.6%
Never before	55	38.5%
Total	143	100%

Comment

It is interesting to note that nearly forty percent of respondents to this question had never visited La Perouse before. Possible inferences which can be drawn from this result are the success of attempts to promote La Perouse as a tourist destination and the increase in the level of tourism generally.

10.5.3 Duration of Stay

Visitors were asked to indicate the length of time they had spent during their visit to La Perouse. There were 145 responses to this question. Those who completed their questionnaire at the Museum tended to show a shorter duration of stay, probably indicating that they went to the Museum directly on arrival and had not had the opportunity to inspect more of the site.

Duration of Stay	Number in Category	Percentage of Total
Less than 1 hour	27	18.6%
1 hour	23	15.9%
2 hours	39	26.9%
3 hours	19	13.1%
4 hours	14	9.6%
More than 4 hours	23	15.95
Total	145	100%

Comment

Just over 80% of respondents to this question stayed more than one hour at La Perouse and just over 65% stayed for two hours or more. The former figure is close to that recorded for a visitor survey conducted in 1987 in association with the Conservation Plan for the Cable Station. Many of those who stayed for more than four hours worked on site, at the Museum or at one of the eating establishments.

10.5.4 Age/Sex of Visitors

Visitors were asked to indicate their sex and to locate themselves in one of five age classes. Of the 160 visitors who completed this question, 53.7% were male and 46.3% were female.

Numbers and percentages (of total number) in sex/age categories

Sex/Age	14 & under		15-24		25-44		45-64		65 & over	
Male	8	5%	11	6.9%	33	20.6%	23	14.4%	11	6.9%
Female	10	6.3%	17	10.6%	25	15.6%	18	11.2%	4	2.5%

10.5.5 Type of Group

Visitors were asked to indicate whether they came to La Perouse alone, with family, with friends, as part of an organised group, or in another type of grouping. There were 169 responses to this question.

Numbers and percentages in groupings

Grouping	Number in category	Percentage of total
Alone	23	13.6%
With family	93	55%
With friends	49	29%
In organised group	1	0.6%
Other (eg with girlfriend, boyfriend, partner)	3	1.8%
Total	169	100%

10.5.6 Mode of Travel

Visitors were asked to indicate how they arrived at La Perouse> There were 157 responses to this question.

Mode of travel	Number in category	Percentage of total
On foot	2	1.3%
By car	130	82.8%
By bus	24	15.3%
By boat (Jetski)	1	0.6%
Total	157	100%

10.5.7 Things visitors like about La Perouse

There were 269 responses to this question.

Likes	Number in category	Percentage of total
Visual qualities	80	29.7%
History	65	24.2%
Ambience	68	25.3%
Recreational opportunities	8	3%
Safe place to swim, visit	5	1.9%
Everything	5	1.9%
Parking	5	1.9%
Food/Eating	18	6.7%
Aboriginal heritage	7	2.6%
Friendly people	7	2.6%
Horses	1	0.4%

10.5.8 Things visitors dislike about La Perouse

Dislikes	Number in category	Percentage of total
Nothing	56	34%
General maintenance	28	17%
Public transport	2	1.2%
People	8	4.9%
Environmental concerns/ visual impacts	34	20.7%
Toilets	16	9.8%
Closing times	5	3%
Lack of parking	6	3.7%
Others	5	3%
Don't know yet	4	2.4%

10.5.9 Improvements visitors would like to see at La Perouse

There were 175 responses to this question.

Improvements	Number in category	Percentage of total
None	18	10.3%
Interpretation	17	9.7%
Toilets and changing/shower facilities	27	15.4%
Food outlets	2	1.1%
Landscape improvements/ management	34	19.4%
Reduction of visual and other impacts	19	10.8%
Public transport	5	2.8%
Access to water	5	2.8%
Maintenance, cleaning	17	9.7%
Human resources	4	2.3%
Dog control	5	2.8%
Traffic, parking controls	11	6.3%
Longer opening hours for toilets, Bare Island	7	4%
More shops	1	0.6%
More members of the opposite sex	2	1.2%
More Aboriginal 'presence'	1	0.6%

Appendix 10.6 Outcomes of Community Workshop held 28 February 1997



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HISTORIC LA PEROUSE MANAGEMENT PLAN

OUTCOMES FROM COMMUNITY WORKSHOP HELD 17 FEBRUARY 1997

Residents of La Perouse were invited to participate in a Community Workshop held at La Perouse Public School on the evening of 17 February 1997. A discussion paper was circulated to residents prior to the workshop and those attending were asked to nominate management issues and problems affecting the study area and to identify possible solutions to the problems. The consultants advised the Workshop participants that they would have a further opportunity to comment on the draft Management Plan when it went on public exhibition. Written comments in response to the discussion paper were also invited. Set out below are those issues and solutions which arose from discussions at the Workshop which was attended by about sixty persons.

ACCESS, TRAFFIC AND PARKING

Issues/Problems:

- Cars are too dominant on the site, especially during peak visitation times. Some residents thought there were as many as twice the number of cars that the site could accommodate on these days.
- Many residents expressed concern that their driveways were often blocked by parked cars during peak visitation times.
- The streets adjoining the headland, particularly Endeavour Avenue and Gorawahl Ave were perceived to be too narrow for two-way traffic and parking. On peak days these streets are choked, with only one vehicle's width left for traffic.
- Convenience of vehicular access to and from La Perouse was perceived to be important.
- Some residents stressed the need for retention of the existing number of points of entry and exit at La Perouse.
- Road safety and protection of vehicles from accident damage, vandalism and theft were raised as issues.
- Some residents believed there are not enough parking signs; others felt there are too many signs on the site.
- The entrance to the study area was generally perceived to have low visual quality and a poor standard of road design and maintenance.
- There is poor pedestrian access along Anzac Parade and to the commercial premises at La Perouse.
- No provision for safe bicycle access and movement on the site has been made.

- The discussion paper referred to the possibility of a ferry service linking La Perouse, Kurnell and possibly Brighton or Sans Souci. The consultants suggested to the residents at the Workshop that this issue not be given high priority for discussion on the night since it is very dependent on economic feasibility and environmental impact studies. Many residents voiced the opinion that they did not want a jetty, a marina, a wharf or additional groins. Introduction of a ferry service would require too much infrastructure development and would pose unacceptable visual and other impacts. One group of Aboriginal representatives at the Workshop expressed an interest in combining a wharf with other developments being planned for the Yarra Bay House area.

Some Solutions:

- Improved bus service from Central/Railway Square, with no transfers en route.
- Imposition of lower speed limit within the La Perouse precinct.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND AESTHETICS

Entry to La Perouse - "The Gateway Concept"

Issues/Problems:

- The entry road ie southern end of Anzac Parade was perceived to be too narrow and poorly maintained.
- Road safety at the intersection of Bunnerong Road and Anzac Parade is low.
- Many visitors to La Perouse arrive via Bunnerong Road, which was perceived to have inappropriate design standard and landscape character for a major entry to such an important site.
- Ability of visitors to see the views from La Perouse was considered very important.
- There are too many visual impacts along the entrance drive to La Perouse, including power poles, weed infestation (particularly Bitou Bush), poorly maintained road verges.
- There is a general lack of maintenance of the area.
- After heavy rain water ponds in the vicinity of Cann Park.
- Cars parked at the golf course have a high visual impact when viewed from La Perouse.
- Storage tanks and cranes at Port Botany have a high visual impact when viewed from La Perouse.

Some Solutions:

- Construction of a roundabout at the intersection of Anzac Parade and Bunnerong Road.
- Introduction of a 40 kilometres per hour speed limit throughout the precinct.
- Landscaping with native trees and shrubs.
- Improve drainage at Cann Park.

- Encourage the golf course to plant low screen planting to hide cars parked in their car park.
- Encourage Port Botany to plant screening vegetation to reduce the visual impact of the storage tanks.

GENERAL LANDSCAPE CHARACTER

Issues/Problems:

- One resident expressed the view that "there isn't any" [character] - the place is "a mess".
- There was a strongly-held view by some residents that the scenery should be kept "natural". Others stressed the need to retain the historic values of the site.
- General lack of maintenance was perceived to be a problem.
- There is not enough shade on site, but views should not be impeded by new plantings.
- The vegetation on the landward side of the beach at Frenchmans Bay is too dense, obscuring views and causing security problems.
- Power poles and lamp standards are visually intrusive.
- The large lawn areas on the site were perceived to be important.
- One resident thought there has been too much emphasis on what visitors want rather than what residents want/need.

Some Solutions:

- Provision of some shade trees, but only in locations where they won't obscure views. Some residents requested that the nature and location of new tree plantings be subject to community consultation.
- Limit the number of signs on site.
- Remove Bitou Bush.
- Consider the introduction of Aboriginal names for places and streets.

RECREATION

Visitor Facilities/Public Amenities

Issues/Problems:

- The toilets above Congwong Bay are an eyesore and are poorly maintained.
- The toilets near Frenchmans Bay are hard to find and in a "disgusting" condition.
- Some residents consider there are too many rubbish bins and that they are used for dumping of household and commercial rubbish.
- Rubbish bins are not emptied frequently enough.
- There is no enclosed swimming area.

Some solutions:

- Relocate the toilet block from its present site above Congwong Bay to a less visually sensitive site.
- Maintain toilets on a more regular basis.
- Reduce the number of rubbish bins and implement a "Do the right thing" education campaign to encourage responsible waste disposal.
- Provide more seating at the Museum and elsewhere on site.
- Develop a community room at the Cable Station/Museum.
- Consider the construction of a rock pool or swimming enclosure.

SECURITY AND SAFETY**Issues/Problems:**

- Some residents believe the nudist beach at Little Congwong Bay attracts deviates to the area.
- Residents expressed concern at the high number of break-ins to cars parked in Endeavour Avenue and elsewhere near Frenchmans Bay. One result of these was broken glass on the roadway.
- Broken glass on the beaches was seen as a major problem.
- Some residents believed the planned closure of Malabar Police Station would exacerbate the crime problem in the La Perouse area.
- Jetskis and trail bikes were considered to pose major safety risks and create noise pollution.

Some Solutions:

- Remove hiding places near Endeavour Avenue by thinning the understorey vegetation at the back of the beach at Frenchmans Bay.
- Introduce controls on jetskis and trailbikes in the area.

CULTURAL TOURISM**Issues/Problems:**

- Some residents believed tourism based on Aboriginal cultural heritage should be promoted more.
- Some residents believed there are too many signs at La Perouse.
- Some residents believed there should be more emphasis placed on the French connection at La Perouse. At a detail level, it was pointed out that the inscription on the grave of Louis Receveur is almost illegible.
- Some residents thought the social history of the area eg Happy Valley should be given more prominence in the site interpretation.

Some Solutions:

- Develop an Aboriginal Cultural Centre.
- Develop the bush tucker trail already planned by the Aboriginal community for the Yarra Bay House area.
- Limit the number of signs at La Perouse.

MANAGEMENT/FUTURE PLANNING

Issues/Problems:

- Many different agencies are involved in the management of La Perouse.

Some Solutions:

- Residents expressed the view that decision-makers needed to be involved in planning.
- One option for the future management of La Perouse is an authority established specifically for the purpose.
- The existing Steering Committee could be maintained and formalised as the planning/management body for La Perouse.

GENERAL MAINTENANCE

Issues/Problems:

- There is not enough maintenance.
- Bunnerong Road approaching La Perouse is poorly maintained.
- The beaches and the tracks leading to them are poorly maintained.
- Weed growth is a major problem.
- There is too much broken glass (from car break-ins) on streets.
- There is insufficient light at night, especially at Frenchmans Bay.
- Dog control is inadequate.

Some Solutions:

- Lights should be whiter and brighter. Those at Brighton were cited as an example of good street/park lighting.
- There should be more lighting at Frenchmans Bay.
- Introduce stricter dog controls, in terms of both safety and droppings..
- Replace existing tall lamp standards on the headland with heritage style lamps.
- The heritage area at La Perouse should be given priority for expenditure of Optus funds, ahead of coastal areas.

Appendix 10.7 Survey of Residents 1997

10.7.1 Age/Sex of Residents

Residents attending the Workshop were asked to indicate their sex and to locate themselves in one of five age classes. Of the 21 residents who completed this question, % were male and % were female.

Numbers and percentages (of total number) in sex/age categories

Sex/Age	14 & under		15-24		25-44		45-64		65 & over	
Male	0	0%	0	0%	6	28.6%	3	14.3%	2	9.5%
Female	0	0%	1	4.8%	4	19%	3	14.3%	2	9.5%

10.7.2 Main purpose of visit

The majority of residents who responded to this question gave the fact that they live at La Perouse as their main purpose of visit. However, given that no-one actually lives within the defined Study Area, even residents who live in nearby streets are "visitors" when they spend time on the headland or at the beaches. Those residents who responded in that vein listed the following as their main purpose of visit.

- Enjoy beaches;
- Walk in National Park;
- Enjoy scenery;
- Fresh air;
- Unspoiled beauty;
- Recreation;
- Place of birth.

Those residents who interpreted the question as meaning "why had they attended the Workshop?", responded in the following ways.

- Learn more about local planning objectives;
- Community involvement;
- Reconciliation;
- Interest in the Management Plan.

10.7.3 Things residents like about La Perouse

The small sample size does not permit an accurate assessment of residents' views but the following were offered as things they like about the place. Some residents cited more than one thing.

- Natural environment;
- Natural ambience;

- Birdlife;
- Quietness;
- Scenery;
- The views;
- Beaches;
- Openness;
- Undeveloped;
- Not crowded;
- Sense of place;
- Wide spaces;
- National Park;
- Strong cultural ties;
- Black and White history;
- Family history;
- Tradition;
- Access to the city;
- Golf courses
- The Fort (ie Bare Island) The Museum; Park

10.7.4 Things residents dislike about La Perouse

The small sample size does not permit an accurate assessment of residents' views but the following were offered as things they dislike about the place. Some residents cited more than one thing. Issues have been grouped into a number of categories.

Safety and security

- Lack of household security;
- Lack of personal security at Frenchmans Bay beach;
- Dense vegetation at back of Frenchmans Bay beach;
- Car break-ins and thefts;
- Scrub harbouring criminals;

Maintenance

- Lack of care for the beach at Frenchmans Bay;
- Lack of care for the area north of the Cable Station;
- Overgrowth;
- Degraded roads;
- Litter left by visitors;
- Neglected/rubbish;
- Too dirty;
- Poor maintenance;
- Neglected for years;
- Lack of garbage bins;
- Lack of services;

Public amenities

- Poor toilet facilities;

- Poor walkways;
- Car parking at weekends;
- No footpath between Yarra Bay and La Perouse;

Visual impacts

- Power poles;
- Radar towers;
- Industrial eyesores nearby;

Road safety

- Dangerous driving on streets;
- Trucks from Port Botany using the Scenic Drive;
- Extremely dangerous bends and blind spots in Bunnerong Road;
- Lack of footpaths;
- Lack of cycle routes;

Landscape character

- "A bit bare";
- Poor visual amenity of the "Gateway";
- Landscaping needs upgrading and maintenance;
- "Scruffy" approach to area.

Local employment;

- Lack of Aboriginal employment in the National Park and local employment schemes;

Other issues;

- Nudist beach at Little Congwong Bay;
- Lack of complete historical references;
- Lack of impartial policing;

10.7.5 Improvements residents would like to see

- More police/rangers to stop bad behaviour and dumping;
- Improved neighbourhood watch;
- Cleaning up of beachfront;
- Improved access;
- Better street lighting;
- Removal/reduction of bush behind Frenchmans Bay;
- Make Goorawahl Ave one-way north to south;
- Recreate some of La Perouse "Frenchman's Garden";
- Provide tall shade trees;
- Provide BBQs and shade trees east of Anzac Parade;
- Remove scrub from parking areas;
- Remove weeds;
- Improve drainage;
- Provide better parking;
- Improve Anzac Parade pavement;

- Plant local species of native trees and shrubs;
- Maximise the site's attributes for residents' and public use;
- Put powerlines underground;
- Limit parking;
- Limit the number of visitors;
- Remove towers from the skyline;
- Remove toilet block from above Congwong Bay;
- Beautify approach road;
- No groin, no marina!
- No jetty/wharf!
- No trees blocking views;
- Community facilities in the Cable Station;
- Direct bus service;
- Screen the golf club;
- Restore sand dunes;
- No heavy traffic except for deliveries;
- Provide cafes which serve breakfast;
- Make landscape more like that at Coogee;
- Provide more gardens;
- Provide regular cleaning;
- Plant more trees and shrubs in bare areas;
- Clean up place;
- Eliminate uncontrolled dogs;
- Improve visual amenity;
- Maintenance;
- Provide consolidated historical interpretation;
- Provide improved access for able bodied and disabled;
- Employ local Aboriginal people to teach/interpret Aboriginal culture;
- Only Aboriginal people should interpret rock art sites;
- Provide more picnic areas;
- Plant more trees;
- Clean up existing picnic areas;
- Provide walk ways;
- Provide more family access;
- Install picnic shelters near Anzac Parade north of Cann Park;

Appendix 10.8 Survey of Aboriginal Residents and Workers

10.8.1 Age/Sex

Numbers and percentages (of total number) in sex/age categories

Sex/Age	14 & under		15-24		25-44		45-64		65 & over	
Male	0	0%	4	40%	4	40%	1	10%	0	0%
Female	0	0%	0	0%	0	0%	1	10%	0	0%

10.8.2 Main purpose of visit

Most gave the fact that they live and work at La Perouse as their main purpose of visiting the place.

10.8.3 Things Aboriginal residents like about La Perouse

It is home.

It is quiet and there is a lot of Aboriginal history.

Family connections.

Koori culture.

Native bush.

Saltwater.

The ocean and surrounding bushland.

Beautiful, scenic area.

10.8.4 Things Aboriginal residents dislike about La Perouse

Too many trees have been cut down.

Waste dumps.

Lack of Aboriginal control over areas significant to their culture.

Overfishing of the sea, depriving Aboriginal people of their traditional food source.

Lack of support and services for young people.

It seems to be a dumping ground for everything that other areas don't want.

10.8.5 Improvements Aboriginal residents would like to see

Development of the Bush Tucker trail.

The area cleaned up.

Replanting of native bush.

Weed control.

Land management.

More Aboriginal control of parklands.

More housing for Aboriginal people.

10.8.6 Further comments by Aboriginal residents

Some Aboriginal residents expressed concern at the amount of attention paid to the French connection at La Perouse, at the expense of the Aboriginal history which is much longer and more substantial.

Considerable concern was expressed about the dumping of rubbish, including hospital waste in the park near Yarra Bay House. This area should be restored, with picnic facilities.

Considerable progress has been made by the Aboriginal community in the construction of a "bush tucker trail" from a point near the Yarra Bay Sailing Club carpark along the route of the Bicentennial walk towards Frenchmans Bay. The community would like this trail to link up to La Perouse to enable visitors to gain a better experience of the area and a better understanding of Aboriginal culture.

There is a need for management authorities to have closer and more detailed consultation with the Aboriginal community.

Much of the focus of current efforts by the Aboriginal community is on tourism-based activities which will provide employment opportunities as well as exposing tourists to Aboriginal culture. La Perouse should be a stop on scenic drives. One of the problems of increased tourism will be the need for tourist coach parking. One solution is for groups to arrive at Yarra Bay House, where the coaches can park. The tourists / school groups will then walk along the "bush tucker trail" to La Perouse where they will be picked up by their coaches.

After the experience with Uluru/.Ayers Rock, Kata Tjuta / The Olgas, Budderi / Jervis Bay National Park, the Aboriginal community believes there should be an attempt to use Aboriginal names for localities at La Perouse. Some residents believe local names should be changed to Aboriginal names, others that Aboriginal names should be given in brackets after the English words.

The Aboriginal community supports a ferry service between La Perouse and Kurnell and would prefer the north terminus to be at or near Yarra Bay House. They understand that Sutherland Shire Council supports a new ferry service.

The "gateway" to La Perouse should feature an Aboriginal "totem pole".

One of the Aboriginal rock engravings at La Perouse is a figure of a whale, one of a series of totems along the coast. This carving is worn badly and obscured, breaking the chain which links Aboriginal people from Sydney to the south coast. It should be recut to restore its meaning. The local community believes it has the skills to do this work.

**Appendix.10.9 Comment by State Land Services, Sydney / South Coast
Region on draft Historic La Perouse Management Plan**

MEMO

TO : HABIB ULLAH

FROM : P.G. HAMMER


SUBJECT : DRAFT HISTORIC La PEROUSE MANAGEMENT PLAN
COMMENT - STATE LAND SERVICES
SYDNEY/SOUTH COAST REGION

This Office is providing comment in response to Council's exhibition of the above Management Plan, in particular its application to Crown land administered by the State Lands Service - Department of Land and Water Conservation.

Whilst much of the La Perouse area is held in either freehold ownership or within National Parks, there remains some Crown land particularly with frontage to Frenchmans Bay as per the attached diagram. Most of the Crown land is reserved for Public Recreation or held under tenure for a commercial purpose.

This Office is responsible for the administration of Crown land as defined in the Crown Lands Act, 1989 for the benefit of the people of NSW having regard to the principles of Crown land management. As such, this Office would like to preface its comments with concerns as to the application of zonings or use of land reserved or dedicated for a public purpose under the Crown Lands Act, 1989. Crown reserves date back to 1825 when lands were first set aside for specific public use. This early "zoning" system still remains as an underlying determination of land use. These lands can only be used for the reservation purposes and their ancillary uses, regardless of the zonings allocated in EPI's and the permissible uses they contain. The Crown is unable to give owner's consent to lodge development applications for purposes which do not comply with the reservation. Inconsistency between uses permitted under the EPI and the purpose of the reservation under the Crown Lands Act, 1989 is objected to by this Department.

The Department's Policy on Food and Beverage Outlets on Crown Reserves should be forwarded to Council for their information and application when dealing with the commercialisation of Crown reserves in Council's administrative area. Regard should be had to the decision of the Land and Environment Court in the case of Willoughby City Council v The Minister [National Parks and Wildlife Act] (1992) LGERA 19 at page 27.


P.G. Hammer
Lands Officer

**Appendix 10.10 Letter from Department of Land and Water Conservation
regarding Coastal Management Program Funding for La
Perouse**

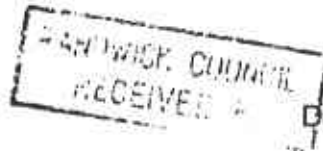
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Contact: M. Habib Ullah
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G. Messiter
Acting General Manager
Randwick City Council
30 Frances Street
Randwick NSW 2031



Date: 19/5/97

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Dear Sir,

Coastal Management Program Funding for La Perouse

Your Ref: AJ:MA L-29-4

I refer to your letter dated 7 May 1997, addressed to Mrs Radha Surendran of our Sydney office, regarding eligibility of La Perouse Management works for funding under the Coastal Management Program.

Whilst most of the works proposed in the Management Plan are related to landscaping, public transport improvement, traffic management, cultural heritage marketing etc, there are a number of items which are related to protection and enhancement of recreational amenities along the coast. These should be eligible for funding under the Coastal Management Program. The following items, as copied from the draft Management Plan, apparently belong to this category.

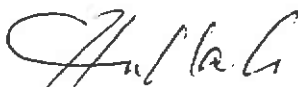
- Improved pedestrian access to the site via a continuous walkway around the headland, with better links to Botany Bay National Park and to the Yarra Bay area. The Headland will be promoted as the starting point for a number of walks, of varying grades. Walks will be better signposted and existing tracks upgraded;
- Improved access to rock platforms for SCUBA divers and snorkelling enthusiasts by way of carefully designed steps in key locations from the Headland area and the Bare Island southern bridge approach. Also well-defined drop-off areas for divers with their gear;
- Easier, safer access to the rock platform around bare Island to replace the existing hazardous metal ladder at the southern end of the bridge;
- The park adjoining the beach at Frenchman's Bay will be upgraded, with better lighting security and facilities and
- Links between La Perouse and Yarra Bay via a "Bush Tucker Trail".

Please find attached a number of comments, prepared by our Sydney Office, on a number of general and specific matters, which need to be addressed in the final plan.

Your attention is also drawn to the fact that there is some Crown Land in the La Perouse area, which needs to comply with the Department's reservation restriction and commercialisation policy for its development. The State Land Services branch of the Department, which is responsible for the administration of Crown Land, has provided comments in this regard. Please refer to the attached memo for detail.

Should you have further queries regarding this, please contact the above nominated officer.

Yours faithfully



for: B T Dooley
Manager
Resource Improvement Works & Services
Sydney/South Coast

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**Appendix 10.11 Submission from La Perouse Precinct Committee
February 1997**

La Perouse Precinct Committee

February 1997

We want to retain an open ambience with high visibility of the seascape surrounding the peninsula with the continuous sea views as the dominant theme- unfettered by trees. There are already thousands of trees and tall shrubs in the National Park and adjoining areas. We don't need more. We don't want any more trees or tall shrubs or buildings anywhere.

We want all Coral trees removed and where appropriate replaced with indigenous species such as angophora. We don't want pine trees as they are out of character and grow out of proportion to the indigenous vegetation and detract from the open ambience.

We don't want avenue planting of tall trees and shrubs along Anzac Pde. We want the open ambience preserved and enhanced and security maintained.

We want landscaping with interesting and preferably flowering indigenous plants that grow to less than a meter. The beautiful heath plants that grow in the park and are difficult to access can be exhibited along the road.

We want to see the sand dunes again- they can be stabilised with low growing shrubs and native grasses

We want to see existing conglomerations of tall shrubs thinned or removed so that the seaside is clearly visible from the parks and adjacent roads.

We want to see the French content of the Laperouse Museum enhanced not down graded.

We want the French theme the major historical focus for our suburb- the French scientific expedition came in at the same time as the First Fleet and a living history with the French community and the French Navy has been maintained ever since. Our suburb is named after the French navigator Laperouse, it is our most important historical heritage. The early French connection is of National historic significance unlike the colonial or aboriginal activities which are Australia wide.

We want community office facilities in the Cablestation. We want all authorities to consult with residents at the earliest stages of possible developments ie when they are first approached by proponents - before proposals are firmed.

We want the wooden power poles and overhead wires along the heritage verges promptly removed. The inappropriate highway standard steel light poles should be replaced by smaller heritage style poles.

Anzac Pde both sides should be landscaped and continuously maintained.

We don't want a groin, marina or wharf in Frenchmans Beach. We want its natural beauty and amenity enhanced not degraded.

We don't want a ferry service because it is not financially viable in itself and it will be used to justify structures which will impair the beauty and amenity of the beach which we value dearly. After the groin and marina are built the ferry service would be discontinued on the basis of financial loss and we are stuck with the groin and marina.

The aboriginal community should not be compelled to demonstrate its culture any more than it itself wants to. There has been a continuous selling of artifacts at the corner near the snake man for decades and that is a part of our scene. A gallery at the Cablestation has been financed but that has been closed for several years denying community use of that part of the building. A funded market place in front of the Cablestation for artifacts was discontinued after a few weeks.

The best place to demonstrate the Aboriginal culture is at Yarra Bay House which is central to the Aboriginal Community, has plenty of parking space which would augment that of LA Perouse, could be advertised at the junction of Anzac and Bunnerong and a walking trail established between it and the Cablestation eventually linking it with the Eastern Beaches walking track now being established.

The traffic patterns are best left as they are as they give most freedom of movement and therefore the least congestion.. If more parking is required around the Loop then the national Park can provide for widening of the road to accommodate angle parking. A single one-way lane around the Loop not only would double the traffic density but it would be stopped each time a car tries to pull in or out of a parking spot.

The toilet block above Congwong should be removed and the vegetation reduced to restore the view.

**Appendix 10.12 Korewal Native Title Application NC96/10 Explanatory
Note and Maps**

memorandum



TO: DIRECTOR OF ENGINEERING SERVICE

FROM: RECREATION ASSETS MANAGER

DATE: 20 January 1997 FILE: A-2-1

SUBJECT: NATIVE TITLE DETERMINATION APPLICATION NC96/10:
KOREWAL PEOPLE, LA PEROUSE - RANDWICK BOTANY BAY &
COASTAL FORESHORE CLAIM.

By letter dated 23 October, 1996, the Native Title Tribunal advised that a claimant application has been made for lands generally extending from the Randwick, La Pouse, Botany Bay foreshore and hinterland, including Bicentennial Park, and along the coastline to Randwick Golf Course, Malabar. Table 1, provides a detailed description of the land currently under Council's care and control which is included in the Korewal People's native title application. The claim has been made on behalf of the Korewal Aboriginal People, La Pouse and others and was accepted by the Tribunal for mediation on 15th October, 1996.

After further discussions with the Tribunal, Council was advised that since the initial lodgement the applicant has reduced the boundary of the area of the claim to exclude the water areas of Botany Bay. Council then sought clarification as to the exact lands affected by the application. The identified area includes portions of Crown Land for which Council is the appointed Trustee under the Crown Lands Act, 1989, and land held by the La Pouse Land Council (Refer to Appendix 1).

The Tribunal has requested the relevant State agency to advise of the availability of current interest information for the claim area. Furthermore, when the end notification date has been set, notices will be issued to persons or organisations whose interests may be affected by a determination in this matter. Those persons or organisations affected will have two (2) months to apply to become a party in relation to the application.

The areas claimed are perceived as part of the traditional homeland of the Korewal Aboriginal people who resided in the area when Captain James Cook landed in 1770. The applicants cite self-determination and self management of traditional lands as their principal goal.

The Native Title Tribunal advises that. Native title may be found to exist:

- (a) where it has not already been extinguished by an inconsistent government grant to a third party. and
- (b) where the native title claimants have maintained their connection over the land.

In addition, it is noted that where the Registrar of the Native Title Tribunal "accepts" a native title application, that this does not mean that Native Title has been "granted". The acceptance of an application simply means that it has been accepted for mediation by the Tribunal. Native title cannot displace existing interest in land and waters that have been validly granted. It is possible, however, for native title rights to co-exist with other interest over the land or waters.

Table 1.

LANDS AFFECTED BY NATIVE TITLE APPLICATION NC96/10 FOR WHICH COUNCIL IS TRUSTEE UNDER THE CROWN LANDS ACT, 1989		
Reserve No.	Portion	Zoning & Description
R62422	111 2622	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Bicentennial Park, Yarra Bay Beach, Frenchmans Beach and the adjoining park foreshore areas.
R62339	1778	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Parkland opposite Endeavour Avenue, La Perouse (adjacent unmade Goonda Avenue, La Perouse, that is now parkland).
R26569	184	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Frenchmans Beach & park foreshore opposite Endeavour Avenue, La Perouse.
R 71492	Adjacent 1055	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Frenchmans Beach, west of, and near the beach access road off the Anzac Parade loop.
R77947	Part 5114 5115 1081	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Northern section of Frenchmans Beach adjacent Anzac Parade loop and opposite and around the licensed perimeter area of the cafe sited on Frenchmans Beach.
R91547	5113	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Frenchmans Beach south east headland declared a public wharf. (Wharf destroyed by storm).
R23068	111	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Yarra Bay eastern headland, west of Yarra Bay House.
	612	Recreation 6(a) Existing. Randwick Golf Club. Malabar Rock Pool.

Existing interest, such as leases, licences and permits, will continue to apply even if there is a determination of native title. The Tribunal does not accept applications over present freehold land (the exceptions to this are where the freehold land is held either by the Crown or by the Aboriginal people).

You are advised that the Native Title Tribunal has requested Council place on public exhibition details of the application and information on the land in question. In addition, the Tribunal has requested that application forms, to become a party in the assessment of the claim, be made available to the public. So as to provide enough time for the public to respond, applications and an exhibition depicting the cited land are currently available and on display in Council's Customer Service Centre. In addition, the Acting General Manager has made a submission to the Tribunal giving notice of Council's intention to become a party to the application.

It is noted that at the Council meeting of 26th November, 1996, it was resolved by Council to:

“...re-iterate its commitment to the Principle of Multi-culturalism, the support for the rights of our indigenous people...”

Relative to the above, Council's Management Plan for 1996/97 has made allowance, to the sum of \$50,000 for the preparation of the Randwick - Botany Bay Foreshore Plan of Management. In light of the abovementioned Native Title claim and advice from the Department of Land and Water Conservation suggesting that Council suspend the preparation of a plan of management until such time as a determination is made by the Tribunal. It is recommended that a separate report be prepared for Council's consideration relative to this item.

IT IS RECOMMENDED

- (a) That Council, as trustee of those foreshore lands included in the Korewal Aboriginal People's native title land claim, Native Title Determination Application NC96/10, which includes land under Council's care, control and management note the applicants intention.
- (b) That Council invite representatives from the Native Title Tribunal to a meeting with Councillors and Council Officers to discuss the procedures and legal implications relative to the current applications for Native Title by the Korewal People.
- (c) That it be noted that a separate report has been prepared relative to the future of the proposed Randwick - Botany Bay Foreshore Plan of Management.

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RECREATION ASSETS MANAGER

Bitter feuds rock Aborigines in La Perouse

By DAVID HARBOUR

Aboriginal land claim for native title over most of La Perouse's foreshore and hinterland including the Randwick Golf Course could put a stop to development of the area for years to come, if not indefinitely, and has worsened the already bitter feuding between local Aboriginal families and groups.

So bad has the relationship between different Aboriginal groups become, that the claim by the Koorowal people is rejected out of hand by the local Dharawal people who have met with their lawyers and are preparing to lodge a counter claim.

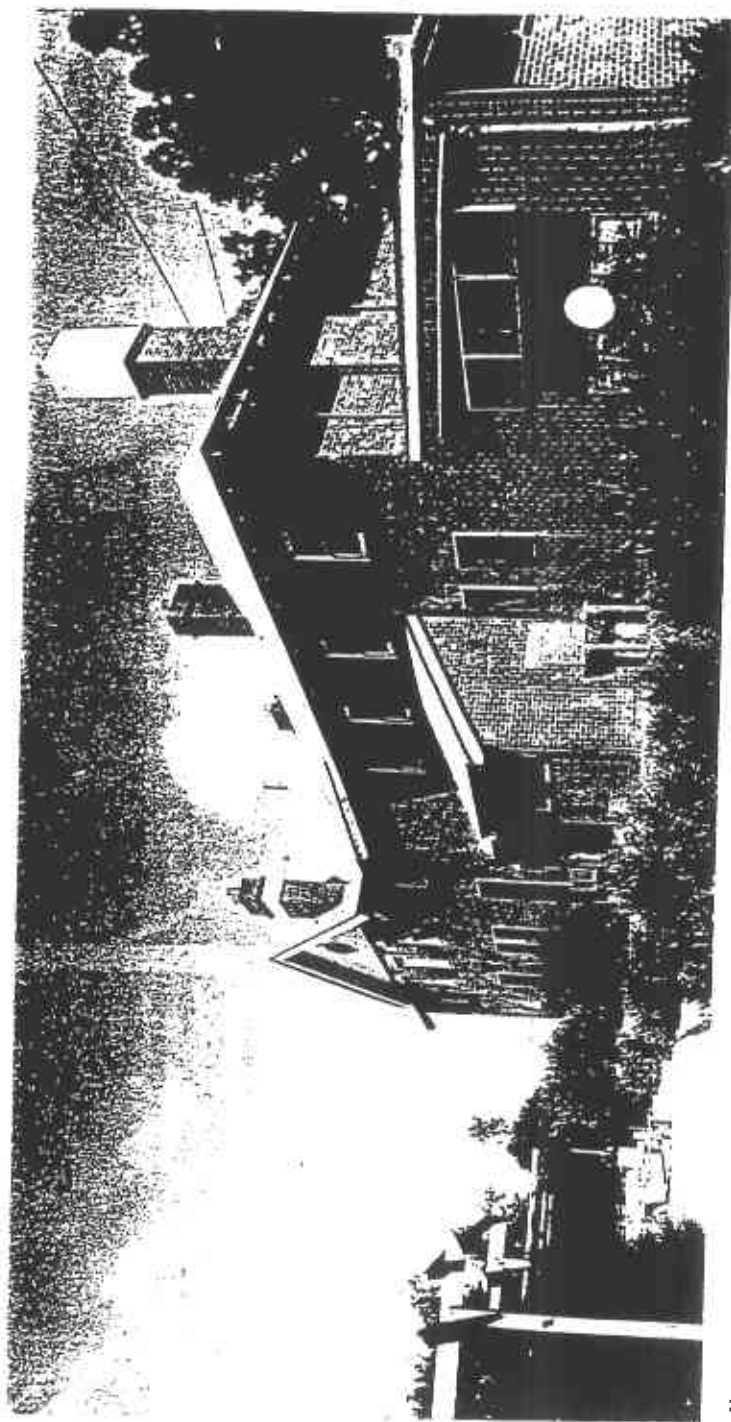
La Perouse Aborigines calling themselves the Koorowal, have lodged a claim for the Randwick Botany Bay foreshore and hinterland extending around the bay to the northern headland and along the coastal foreshore to Long Bay, Malabar, and including the golf course.

The claim for native title lodged by La Perouse's Koorowal people was accepted for mediation by the Native Title Tribunal last October.

The decision will have far reaching effects on development plans for the La Perouse area and has already caused Randwick Council to put on hold its work in preparing a Randwick Botany Bay Foreshore Plan of Management until after the claim has been determined.

Most local Aborigines declined to comment on the claim, citing extreme sensitivity between the various Aboriginal groups and families living and operating in the area.

Some Aborigines expressed doubt that the claim would reach a conclusion.



Yarra Bay House, the Aboriginal headquarters at La Perouse.

But one local Aboriginal, Iris Williams, said the Koorowal claim had been rejected by the traditional people.

"We've had a meeting with the Tribunal and the lawyers and we're lodging a counter claim."

"The Tribunal told us not to worry because the Koorowal claim was going nowhere. Why lodge a claim? The State Land Council has got the land already. Why wait for this claim anyway, we can beautify the area ourselves. It's time we spoke up and put an end to all this."

"We don't know who these [Koorowal] people are and where they're coming from. The local people aren't Koorowal, we're Dharawal people."

The Tribunal has advised Randwick Council that after three years 415 unresolved native title claims are still before the Tribunal and that there will be a substantial delay in resolving the complex issues associated with the La Perouse claim.

Randwick's director of engineering Mick Savage told the council that the preparation of the plan of management required extensive public consultation which would raise community expectations that the plan would be implemented within a reasonable time frame.

This might not be the case he said.

It would be prudent for the council to withdraw its intention to prepare a plan of management for the area.

It was to the council's advantage to be seen as an active and willing participant in the native title mediation process rather than being seen as trying to impose a management and development regime over a contested land.

Randwick councillor Chris Bastie successfully intervened to have the \$47 000 not yet spent of the \$50 000 allocated towards preparing the management plan, spent instead on other work in Randwick's south ward area which includes La Perouse and Malabar.

The money will be used to bitumenise the Cann Park car park, build barbecues on Malabar Beach and clear vegetation at Congwong Beach and Frenchmans Bay.

The Messenger 28/11/97

**Appendix 10.13 Letter from NSW Premier to La Perouse Precinct
Committee re La Perouse Museum and Visitor Centre,
Botany Bay National Park**

NEW SOUTH WALES



Minister for the Arts

Ref: A4137

Mr Charles Abela
Chairman
La Perouse Precinct Committee
1587 Anzac Parade
LA PEROUSE NSW 2036

13 DEC 1996

Dear Mr Abela

Thankyou for your letter of 2 December in which you reaffirmed your support for the La Perouse Museum and expressed your concerns for the need for community facilities as a part of the general use of the Cable Station.

I have now received and considered an options paper on the future operations of the museum and have endorsed the recommendations made in it by the Ministry.

In summary the National Parks and Wildlife Service will retain management of the museum but broaden its functions to include that of a visitor centre which will incorporate the broader history of the area, including indigenous and English colonial and environmental themes, while retaining a more focussed French / La Perouse exhibition.

The building will be renamed the *La Perouse Museum and Visitors Centre, Botany Bay National Park* to reflect this broadening of functions.

I will ensure your concerns regarding community access to the Cable Station are brought to the attention of the Ministry for the Arts and the National Parks and Wildlife Service. Over the coming months they will be working together to implement these changes and to assist in reshaping this museum into a more viable format which will meet the goals of the French and Aboriginal communities, Friends of the Museum and local community groups. Funds of up to \$20,000 will be made available by the Ministry for the Arts to assist in this process.

I believe the changes as outlined will enable the La Perouse Museum to become a vital resource for local communities and to represent the rich and varied history of this important precinct as well as continuing to be a focus for French celebrations in Australia.

Your continued interest in the museum is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'Bob Carr', with a stylized, flowing script.

Bob Carr, MP
Premier and Minister for the Arts

Appendix 10.14 Visitor Survey Form

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Visitor Survey

Good morning / afternoon. The Steering Committee for the Historic La Perouse Management Plan is conducting a survey of visitors to the area so that the Randwick Council, the National Parks and Wildlife Service, the community and local businesses can manage the area better and plan for its future conservation.

We would like to ask you a few questions about your visit. It will only take a couple of minutes and all of the information you provide will be treated in confidence. You can write any additional comments you may have on the back of this form.

1. Where do you normally live ?

Town / Suburb: _____

Postcode (if from Australia) _____

Specify, if from overseas: _____

2. How often have you visited La Perouse in the past year ?

3. How long have you been here today

☐ at least daily ☐ at least yearly
☐ at least weekly ☐ less than yearly
☐ at least monthly ☐ never before

☐ less than 1 hour ☐ 3 hours
☐ 1 hour ☐ 4 hours
☐ 2 hours ☐ more than 4 hours

4. What is the main purpose of your visit ?

5. What do you like about La Perouse?

6. Is there anything you specifically don't like about La Perouse?

7. Are there any improvements to La Perouse that you could suggest ?

8. What is your age group (s)?

(Tick appropriate box, or boxes if there is more than 1 person)

	14 or under	15 - 24	25 - 44	45 - 64	65 or over
Male	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Female	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

9. What type of group are you travelling with today ?

10. How did you travel here today ?

☐ alone ☐ organised group
☐ with family ☐ other (pls specify)
☐ with friends

☐ on foot ☐ by boat
☐ by car ☐ other, please specify
☐ by bus

Date: _____

Weather: _____

Time: _____

Location surveyed: _____

Thank you for your assistance

Appendix 10.15 Discussion Paper for Community Workshop

...the verges and bushland ... appear very degraded and weed infested in some areas. There is no suitable footpath or bikeway along this area which serves to discourage arrival by means other than cars and buses. The verges are used as overflow parking areas during peak times over the summer period.

The Anzac Parade entry road should be upgraded to provide an appropriate sense of arrival to a place of national importance. Optional treatments may include:

- Redesign of the intersection of Bunnerong Road and Anzac Parade, eg construction of a landscaped roundabout and design elements that mark the entry to the area, elements such as flags, formal plantings, sandstone feature walls, Aboriginal art works (such as stone sculpture, paving designs, murals)
- A bikeway and a wide landscaped pedestrian path parallel to the road to improve access.
- Bush regeneration and erosion control along the eastern side and the cutting on the western side to enhance the amenity of the area
- The upgrading and returfing of the verges to enable occasional use for overflow parking without causing damage and erosion. The creation of marked parking bays in some areas may be necessary.
- An avenue planting of a suitable species

The park adjoining Frenchman's Beach receives very high levels of use, particularly on weekends. The area is generally degraded, with the concrete picnic shelters in poor condition

4 RECREATION

- La Perouse is a regional recreational area with natural and cultural attractions and proximity to bushwalking (Henry Head and Cape Banks), swimming (Congwong Beach, Little Congwong Beach), boating and fishing (Botany Bay), sailing (Yarra Bay Sailing Club and Botany Bay)
- The Plan should provide for enhancement of these recreational opportunities, with

...after lunch (eg v lkways, bikeways) between them and with improved transport and access

Visitor Facilities

- Increased visitation to La Perouse and the quality of the visitor experience will be enhanced by the provision of adequate public amenities.
- Given the high use levels of both Congwong Bay and Frenchman's Bay, particularly during the warmer months for water-based recreation, improved toilets and the provision of changeroom facilities near both of these locations should be considered.
- The views over Congwong Bay and the heads of Botany Bay, are excellent, however the poor visual quality of the parking area, and the intrusion into the vista of the present toilet block, detract from the scenic qualities of this important arrival area
- Visitor security and safety**
Visitor surveys have revealed that the use of jetskis close to swimming areas is a serious management issue. These craft create a nuisance through excessive noise and pose a safety threat to swimmers. Restrictions on the use of these craft in the vicinity of La Perouse Headland should be considered as a priority.
- Some visitors have perceived a security risk for children using the toilets adjoining Frenchman's Bay which are partially obscured by plant growth.

5 CULTURAL TOURISM

The Historic Sites of La Perouse Monuments and Bare Island, together with the opportunities to interpret Aboriginal cultural heritage provide La Perouse with a solid base for cultural tourism development

- Options include:
 - cooperative marketing opportunities in the local area and the wider region, with promotion of the historical significance and attractions of La Perouse to key segments within the tourism industry.
 - The role of the snake show as an

- important art of the social heritage of La Perouse should be considered.
- Possible links with Yarra Bay eg Bush Tucker Trail, and Botany Cemetery should also be investigated

5.1 Interpretation

Innovative interpretive guidelines to enhance visitor awareness of the importance of La Perouse as an historic site are desirable. Interpretation should include:

- education programs targeted at key learning areas within the school curricula
- public programs aimed at the general visitor
- integrated interpretive signage throughout

6 MANAGEMENT

There is a need for a co-ordinated approach to maximise the efficiency of future management in achieving a strong vision for the area. The development and implementation of any Management Plan depend on their success on community support which can only be achieved if the stakeholders are kept informed of progress and are given the opportunity to participate in the planning process. The Plan will recommend various mechanisms for achieving good lines of communication between the numerous agencies responsible for the management of La Perouse and the local and visitor communities. One option is to retain and formalise the Steering Committee to ensure ongoing co-ordination of the site management

If you would like to make written comments on any of these issues please send them to:

Mascape Pty Ltd
42 Botany Street,
RANDWICK NSW 2031

marked to the attention of Chris Betteridge, before the 28 February, 1997.



Historic La Perouse Management Plan

Discussion Paper for Workshop, 17
February, 1997

A workshop is to be held at 6.30 pm on Monday 17 February 1997 at La Perouse Public School Hall (corner Yarra & Bunnerong Roads)

The Historic La Perouse Management Plan Steering Committee invites all residents and interested individuals to attend this workshop and contribute to the planning process for this very important area.



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La Perouse is a place of national heritage significance for Australia. It is important for its natural values and as a place of great significance to both Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people. In its surviving physical fabric and its historic associations with people and events, La Perouse has strong meaning for indigenous Australians, the French people, and to European and other settlers to this Country. People come to La Perouse for many reasons. Some live close to the study area and regard it as their traditional land; some view it as their local parkland; others come from all over Sydney, from interstate and from overseas to admire the beauty, absorb the history or engage in many of the water-based recreational activities the site has to offer, or to enjoy a meal at one of the local restaurants.

Randwick City Council recognises the significance of La Perouse and has commissioned heritage specialists, Muscape Pty Ltd and David Beaver to prepare a management plan for the site. A steering committee has been established to represent the interests of the various government organisations and community groups with an interest in La Perouse. A workshop is being held to allow the wider community to have a say in the planning process. When completed the Management Plan will guide Randwick City Council, the National Parks and Wildlife Service, the La Perouse Residents Precinct Committee, the Aboriginal community and other agencies and groups in decision making for this important place.

Previous studies and a visitor survey have identified a number of key management issues to be addressed in the Plan. These are listed below with a range of possible options for discussion at the workshop.

1 ACCESS

At present La Perouse is dominated by motor vehicles and the roads and parking areas needed to accommodate them. There are

... which is for improving public transport to the area and for reducing the impact of private cars.

1.1 Walking Trails

- Many of the walking trails in the area are poorly signposted and most require significant upgrading. Improved pedestrian access to the site via a walkway around the headland, with better links to Botany Bay National Park and to the Yarra Bay area would further expand the recreational potential of the La Perouse.
- The headland could be promoted as the starting point for a number of walks, of varying grades.
- Improved access to rock platforms and beaches, for divers, anglers and other visitors.

1.2 Jetty and Ferry Service

- A ferry to Kurnell used to operate from Frenchman's Bay but the jetty was demolished in the 1970s following extensive storm damage. There have been many suggestions to reconstruct the jetty and recommence the ferry service to Kurnell (and also to Brighton-le-Sands / Sans Souci). Options include:
 - construction of new jetties at La Perouse.

... and possibly Chigly, and resumption of ferry services for public transport and tourism.

- Public funds for such a venture may not be available but expressions of interest from the private sector should be sought to build facilities and operate the services.
- The location, design, environmental impacts, and economic viability will be major considerations.

1.3 Public Transport Services - Buses

- Improved public transport links from the City to La Perouse are desirable to encourage visitors and alleviate the problem of congestion by private cars during peak times. There is also the possibility of introducing a special service similar to Sydney Explorer or Bondi to Bay.

2 TRAFFIC AND PARKING

- The loop road, constructed in 1963, is a dominant element of the headland, and while it provides convenient access for cars, it physically divides the headland into inner and outer areas impeding easy pedestrian access to the various attractions of the site. Car

...ing speeding and a road closure are also frequent occurrences, particularly at night, resulting in security and safety concerns for residents and those responsible for the management and maintenance of the area. Possible options for the loop road include:

- Complete closure with access only for authorised vehicles. The section between the end of Anzac Parade and Endeavour Ave would need to be kept open to provide access for residents and businesses.
- Partial closure of the loop road with eastern and western arms retained with two-way traffic flow and turning circles at the ends of the arms.
- Retention of the loop road but converted to one way traffic flow (clockwise) with angle parking bays and a perimeter pedestrian path around the entire loop.

Any proposals to modify the existing traffic and parking arrangements would need to be assessed by Traffic Engineers.

3 LANDSCAPE DESIGN AND AESTHETICS

A strong vision for the landscape of the site is required, providing it with a recognisable character and integrated and harmonious visual qualities.

- Opportunities for the regeneration of bushland, shade tree plantings, and soft landscaped areas should be further explored.
- Design guidelines are needed for seats, picnic tables, shelters, bins, light standards, signage, fencing, pathways etc. to avoid clutter and simplify treatments of the site.

3.1 Entry area to Historic La Perouse - Gateway Concept

The present entry area, along Anzac Parade, does not convey an appropriate impression for a site of national significance but is dominated by unsightly power poles, inadequate signage and poor road design and

