



The Bays

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The facts

Growth centre area

5.5km of harbourfront, 95ha of mostly government-owned land and 94ha of waterways in Sydney Harbour

Location

2km west of the Sydney central business district.

Key geographic inclusions:

The Bays includes the heritage listed White Bay Power Station, Glebe Island, White Bay, Blackwattle Bay including Sydney Fish Market, Wentworth Park, Rozelle Bay and Bays Waterways, and Rozelle Rail Yards

Local government areas

City of Sydney and Inner West Council

Program duration

20–30 years

Key stakeholders

Partner agencies: Department of Premier and Cabinet, NSW Treasury, Department of Planning and Environment, Transport for NSW, Roads and Maritime Services, Property NSW, Department of Industry, Infrastructure NSW, Port Authority of NSW

Other government stakeholders: NSW Health, Department of Education, Destination NSW, Create NSW, Family and Community Services, Department of Sport and Recreation, Office of Environment and Heritage, Sydney Motorway Corporation

Other: Sydney Fish Market, City of Sydney, Inner West Council, The Bays Precinct Reference Group (with 41 member organisations), local community including residents and local businesses, Sydneysiders, industry and business groups, schools and universities, non-government organisations

Overview

The program and our role

The NSW Government has tasked UrbanGrowth NSW Development Corporation with leading the collaboration for The Bays. We have the opportunity to transform 95ha of harbourfront land and 94ha of waterways for the economic, cultural and social benefit of Sydney and the State.

Renewal of the area represents a once-in-a-generation opportunity to drive innovation, attract the jobs of the future, and create stunning waterfront destinations. It can help equip Sydney for the future, reinforcing its reputation as an internationally competitive and global city to live in, work in and visit.

What is proposed

The Bays will transform over the next 20 to 30 years into a bustling hub of enterprise, activity and beautiful spaces. Located within the iconic Sydney Harbour, the area will be enjoyed by Sydneysiders and the global community alike. It will provide a mix of cultural, maritime, recreational, retail and commercial uses, while drawing on the authenticity and local charm of well-established nearby suburbs. It is an opportunity to deliver the kind of public spaces, promenades and workplaces that we can all be proud of.

Outcomes and deliverables

The following are either underway or due to commence in the first phase of the program:

- Design and construct a new Sydney Fish Market at the head of Blackwattle Bay
- investigate improving physical and visual connections from Wentworth Park to the water
- complete studies and planning for transport, mobility and connectivity
- establish a temporary activation program, including White Bay Power Station, to enable short-term experimental, cultural and recreational opportunities
- establish story-telling of the area's heritage and culture
- investigate water quality improvements that maintain or enhance water quality with Blackwattle and Rozelle Bays
- investigate utilities solutions to enable energy generation and advanced technologies.

Current status

The vision is to transform The Bays into a bustling hub of enterprise, activity and beautiful spaces and is the culmination of extensive consultation with Sydneysiders and global experts in urban rejuvenation.

We are progressing with the creation of a masterplan for Blackwattle Bay which will include a new waterfront promenade (Pyrmont to Blackwattle Bay) and the design for a rejuvenated Sydney Fish Market located at the head of Blackwattle Bay along Bridge Road, Glebe.

UrbanGrowth NSW is working with government agencies to deliver a staged program of works in the White Bay, Glebe Island and Rozelle Bay areas. Over the next 10 years major infrastructure will be completed after which urban renewal will take place in conjunction with the proposed Bays Precinct Metro Station. UrbanGrowth NSW will work with the community and other stakeholders to establish the scope and timing of these urban renewal activities.

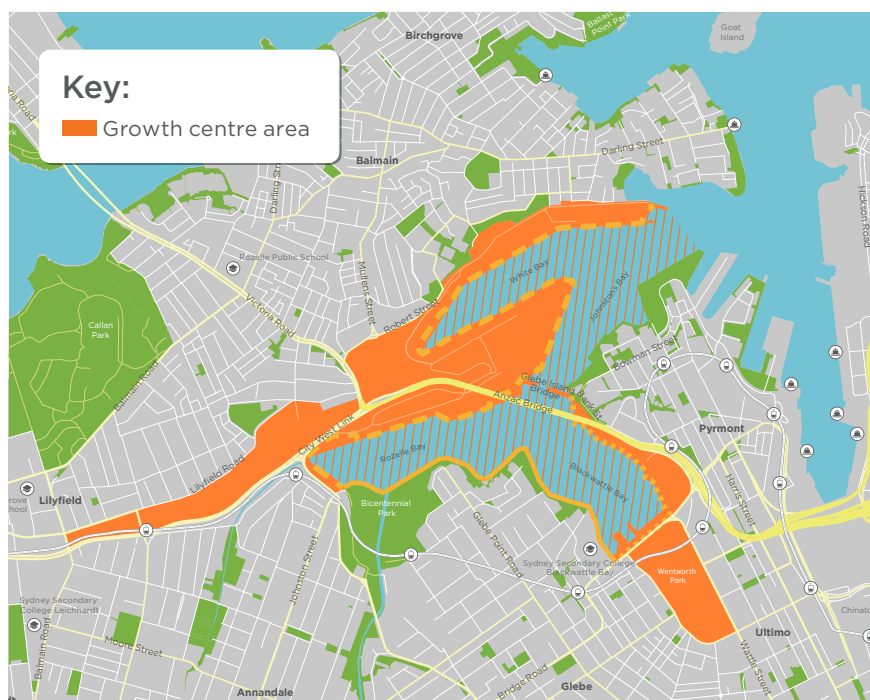
Program initiatives

The NSW Government's objectives for the transformation of The Bays are:

- to deliver a hub of export-oriented, knowledge-intensive jobs that can increase Sydney's global competitiveness
- to deliver enduring, socially inclusive and great places to benefit Sydneysiders and national and international communities
- to deliver housing choices, including affordable housing options, through design, finance and construction excellence
- to deliver world-class mass and active transit solutions that unlock the economic and human potential of The Bays and demonstrate a model of environmental excellence
- to achieve building design excellence and quality urban design in all destinations
- to provide ecological and marine water quality improvements that enable abundant biodiversity
- to deliver integrated utilities solutions that enable advanced energy generation and technologies
- to apply integrated planning within a land and water context that considers strategic policy decisions and the interrelationships between biophysical, social and economic aspects
- to celebrate heritage and culture by creating new experiences throughout The Bays.

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Location map



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Project timeline



Immediate

Works commencing on immediate priority destinations:

- New Sydney Fish Market
- Prepare a masterplan for Blackwattle Bay
- Coordinated Government planning considering all infrastructure and urban renewal plans for the White Bay, Glebe Island and Rozelle Bay areas



Medium term

Works commencing on medium-term priority destinations:

- Rozelle Bay and Bays Waterways (Blackwattle and Johnstons Bays)
- Delivery of major infrastructure projects in the White Bay, Rozelle Railyards and Glebe Island areas



Long term

Works commencing on longer-term priority destinations:

- Rozelle Rail Yards
- Glebe Island
- White Bay
- Rozelle Bay

