

What residents want out of the Redfern Preliminary Masterplan

“A safe place to bring up our kids

A place where all walks of life are welcome and live together in harmony

A place so that we will never forget where our heritage came from

A place that has plenty of open spaces; parks with playgrounds for our kids and exercise facilities for all

Houses and units with community gardens included so that all can work together and get to know each other”



Brian Parker



“I love Redfern. I like the closeness to the city and the people in the community that look after other people. I just love the feel of it.”

In our words

“Improving shopping, doctor facilities, access to hospital, community transport and school is critical.”

“The only place for children to play at present is in the road. We need good outdoor spaces for children, families and older people.”

“Transport is an essential service. It is imperative that all residents have access to public transport and to ensure that all homes and public amenities meet the disability access standards.”



In our words

“Gardens around buildings are very important. Community gardens with community artwork make a good place to people to meet and get to know each other.”

“Perhaps, Redfern should have its own Redfern shopping village, just like one at Surry Hills shopping village where it is so convenient, banks, post office, groceries are under one roof.”

“Business will welcome more new people moving into the area but it is important not to create divisions between us and them.”



In our words

“Existing open space is limited. Creation of new plazas and malls between new building developments is a way of providing new open space for the use by local residents with open seating, tables and landscaping to link buildings”

“I like living here. I would like to feel safer at night and for Redfern Park to have more activities like stalls and music entertainment etc.”

“Shrubs and Street trees are sometimes the problem. We need good passive surveillance and good sight lines to make streets safe.”



How we want Connections to be improved

- We need better East - West connection
- Better traffic flow and ways to keep heavy traffic off suburban streets
- Better access to Redfern station by bus and walking
- More needs to be done for cycling: bike ways, storage, access.



How we want Streets to be improved

- Most residents walk to shops, doctors and local facilities.
- More lighting, more shade, better footpaths, safer crossings and level access
- We need to get more people to activate the streets



How we want to improve local facilities and shops

- We need community centres that are:
 - Multi purpose, multi age.
 - Offering activities for different demographic groups
 - Welcoming and inclusive, with clear signage
 - One centre for Redfern and one for Waterloo
 - Well equipped with exercise and kitchen equipment
- We need a good choice of shops and services in the area



How we want to improve parks and open spaces

- We need adequate safe, well designed, well maintained, accessible open spaces
- Community gardens around buildings
- Parks and playgrounds that can be enjoyed by all age groups and a range of community activities

