

Have Your Say

*Our Place...
Our Future*

What is on Exhibition?

Council has a range of material on exhibition to enable public review and comment from 20 June 2013 to 9 August 2013 including the following planning documents:

- Planning Proposal –Draft Lithgow Principal Local Environmental Plan 2013
- Draft Lithgow City Local Environmental Plan 2013 (LEP)
- Draft Lithgow City Local Environmental Plan 2013 – Mapping

Council has resolved to have a broader and more extended exhibition than prescribed by law. Council encourages all residents, landowners and community groups to review these planning documents in relation to their property, neighbourhood or area of interest and use this opportunity to provide valuable feedback.

Where can I find information?

You can view the above documents and supporting exhibition material at:

- Council's website <http://www.lithgow.com/lep/>
- Council Administration Centre
180 Mort St LITHGOW NSW 2790
Mon to Fri 8.15am-4.30pm;
- Lithgow Library/Learning Centre
157 Main St LITHGOW NSW 2790
Mon to Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 9am-12pm;
- Wallerawang Library
Main St WALLERAWANG NSW 2845
Tues-Wed 10am-1pm, 2pm-6pm, Thurs-Fri 2pm-6pm,
Sat 9am-12pm; and
- Portland Library
65 Williwa St
PORTLAND NSW 2847
Mon to Fri 2pm-6pm, Sat 9am-12pm.

How can I get involved?

You can familiarise yourself with the Draft LEP and supporting information by visiting Council's website page at <http://www.lithgow.com/lep/> which has a range of information to assist you to gain a better understanding of the Draft LEP. Here you will find fact sheets and explanatory material on the key parts of the plan and how to use the information tools provided.

You can become actively involved by:

Attending an open house information session at a location and time suited to you to view exhibition material and speak directly to a Council Planner. These sessions will be held at the following locations and dates between the hours of 10am – 3pm

- Council Administration Centre,
180 Mort St Lithgow
Wednesday 26 June 2013
- Capertee Public Hall,
Castlereagh H'Way Capertee
Friday 28 June 2013
- Wallerawang Library
Main St Wallerawang
Tuesday 2 July 2013
- Hartley Historic School Hall,
Mid Hartley Road, Hartley
Tuesday 9 July 2013
- Crystal Theatre Portland,
Wolgan St Portland
Wednesday 10 July 2013
- Council Administration Centre,
180 Mort St Lithgow
Monday 15 July 2013 Evening Session between 6pm and 8pm
- Talking to a Council planner by telephone for short enquiries or longer enquiries by arranging an appointment by contacting 02 63549906 or 0263549920. Appointments will be available, Monday to Friday from 16 July, 2013
- Asking a question on line at www.lithgow.com/lep/contact.html or
Emailing lep@lithgow.nsw.gov.au.
- Making a written submission.

Important considerations for submissions

It is important to note that Council cannot change any part of the State Government's Standard Instrument (SI) LEP template. The text coloured black in the Draft Lithgow City LEP 2013 forms part of the SI template and cannot be changed by Council.

Content in **red text** has been added by Council and as such can be changed. In addition, a limited number of clauses in the SI are optional and Council has a choice to include them or not. These are identified as [optional]. Therefore, submissions should relate only to the **text in red** and whether optional clauses should or should not be included. Please refer to the Fact Sheet - **"What is a LEP?"** for further information regarding the Standard LEP template.

How can I make a submission?

Should any person or group wish to make a submission on the Plan, it should be in writing and be received by 4.30pm on 9 August 2013.

Submissions should be addressed to:

The General Manager,
Lithgow City Council,
PO Box 19
LITHGOW NSW 2790,
quoting reference LEP2013 or by emailing attention
General Manager and quoting reference LEP2013 at
council@lithgow.nsw.gov.au.

All submissions should include your name and address to ensure that it is duly considered. When making a submission about a particular property, please indicate the street address and/or title (Lot/DP) details. All submissions will be published on Council's website, so if you do not wish your name and address to be published you should state such in your submission.

Please note that details of your submission, including your name and address may be accessed by the public under the Government Information (Public Access) Act 2009. Submissions should therefore not include references of a personal nature or any commercial in confidence information.

What will happen to my submission?

Once the exhibition period has concluded, all submissions will be reviewed and issues identified by the community will be carefully considered by Council. All submissions will be acknowledged and placed on Council's website. A report will be prepared for Council's consideration, and Council may decide to amend the Draft Lithgow City LEP 2013 or not. If significant changes are made, the draft plan may require re-exhibition.

Public Hearing – Reclassification of Public Lands

The Draft LEP proposes to reclassify 90 parcels of public land from community land to operational land. Please refer to Fact Sheet - **"Public Land Reclassification "Community" to "Operational"** for further information.

A Public Hearing will be held following the conclusion of the public exhibition period in respect of this element of the Draft Plan. All persons who make a submission on this matter will be invited to the public hearing.

The hearing will be chaired by an independent person who will prepare a report regarding the outcomes of the public hearing to Council for its consideration. This report will be made available for public viewing at that time.