



KURNELL PLANNING PROPOSAL

CONNECTING WITH COUNTRY
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Overview

The Kurnell Planning Proposal presents a range of opportunities to meaningfully explore and embed connections to Country.

“The Kurnell Peninsula will be a thriving community enriched by culture, enterprise, and social exchange.

It is a place which is connected to and contained by a landscape of bays, beach, coast, and headland.”

- Group GSA, Master Plan

This section seeks to visually communicate key themes and recurrent ideas expressed throughout the community engagement process. Guided by the community driven principles, and in consideration of the Elements of Country, the indicative visuals offer a glimpse into the ways in which the site may be activated in a culturally mindful and regenerative fashion, focusing on user experience and the environment.



Regeneration (indicative visual)



Resilience (indicative visual)



Reignition (indicative visual)



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Regeneration

Celebrating and showcasing ecological links between the north and south precincts, the Kurnell Planning Proposal has the potential to set a precedent for regenerative design with Australia.

Focusing on the user experience for human and non-human kin, this visualisation explores the significance of the eco bridge, capturing community desires and environmental outcomes.

Features:

- Aspect and city views
- Eco corridors for human and non-human kin to traverse safely and freely across precincts
- Ecological continuity
- Maximised opportunities for planting
- Architectural point of difference within Sydney
- Open space to facilitate connections to water and sky Country.

*Indicative visual



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Resilience

The Kurnell Peninsula is a unique space and place within Sydney. Drawing on the cultural and ecological significance of the site, the Planning Proposal has ample opportunities to support a healthy Country and healthy community.

Focusing on the endemic landscape and middens, this visualisation encompasses the variety of ways locals and visitors can interact and engage with Country meaningfully.

Features:

- Accessible meandering pathways throughout the site
- First Nations led tours, sharing stories and significance of cultural sites (middens)
- Focus on endemic planting
- Demonstration of shared custodianship

*Indicative visual



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Reignition

The Planning Proposal has the ability to create significant opportunities for locals and visitors to engage with Country and the unique environment that is the Kurnell Peninsula.

Focusing on the social, cultural, and environmental reignition of the site, this visualisation showcases the user experience and potential activations.

Features:

- Incorporates traditional land care practices within the ongoing management of the site (burning)
- Accessible pathways both within the site and connected to broader regions (connection to national Park Trails and Wanda Reserve)
- Aspiration for a designated multi-use open space (consider camping or small eco cabins)
- Opportunity for First Nations social enterprise (kayaking)
- Open spaces to connect to sea and sky

*Indicative visual

