

## Statement of Priorities 1999/2000

### Mission Statement

**Through Advocacy the Board will effectively and efficiently meet the needs of the Burwood/Pegasus community by being responsive to local issues, and working towards a socially aware, safe and active community."**

### The Community and its People

- Recognise and value the contribution of voluntary community effort.
- Encourage and promote community development that is responsive to the needs of all age groups in the Burwood/Pegasus community.
- Promote recreation and leisure activities in the Burwood/Pegasus community.
- Supporting established strategies and policies, including those for youth, children and elderly.
- Assist and foster residents' associations and community organisations.
- Support community employment schemes and initiatives.
- Encourage affordable early childhood education facilities and out of school programmes.
- Acknowledging the cultural diversity and heritage values of our community.

### Our Environment

#### Natural Environment:

- Promote community involvement in recycling and waste minimisation.
- Encourage protection and enhancement of river, estuary, wetland and coastal park environments.

Advocate for environmental improvements to air, water, soil, drainage and waste disposal.

Encourage the concept of green linkages.

Further enhance tree planting and revegetation in the Burwood/Pegasus area.

#### Physical Environment:

- Promote safer roads and pedestrian access that serve the community well through appropriate traffic management.
- Support and promote the provision of cycleways and cycle routes.
- Monitor all safety aspects for public parks and reserves.
- Promote and enhance active and passive parks to meet community needs.
- Support an effective public transport system that meets the needs of our community.

### The Community Board

- Provide Council with timely and accurate information on issues relating to local needs and priorities.
- Consult with the community and encourage submissions on local and metropolitan issues, including the Annual Plan and Budget.
- Facilitate and support the provision and management of appropriate community facilities.
- Promote and encourage greater delegation from Council to Community Boards.

### Review Process

The Board's achievements in respect of priorities shall be reviewed annually.