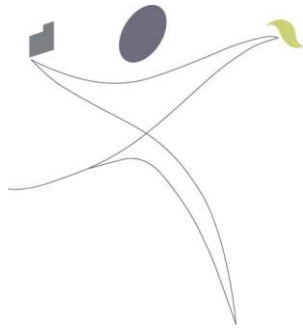


# News and Views

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We hope you enjoy this new year edition's focus on the Narrabri CBD Masterplan together with details of a proposed reform of the NSW planning system.

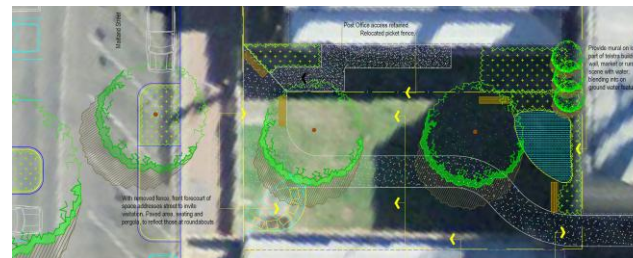
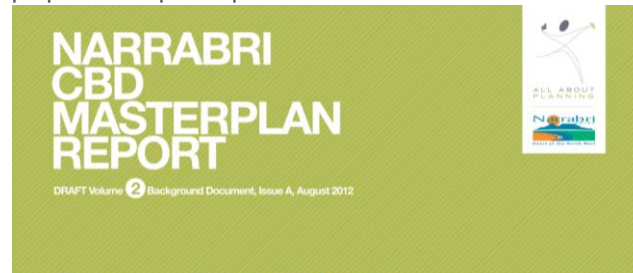
We have loved working with Narrabri Shire Council, our project team and the local Narrabri Community to deliver an excellent forward thinking CBD Masterplan.  
**Peter & Michelle**

## FOCUS: NARRABRI CBD MASTERPLAN

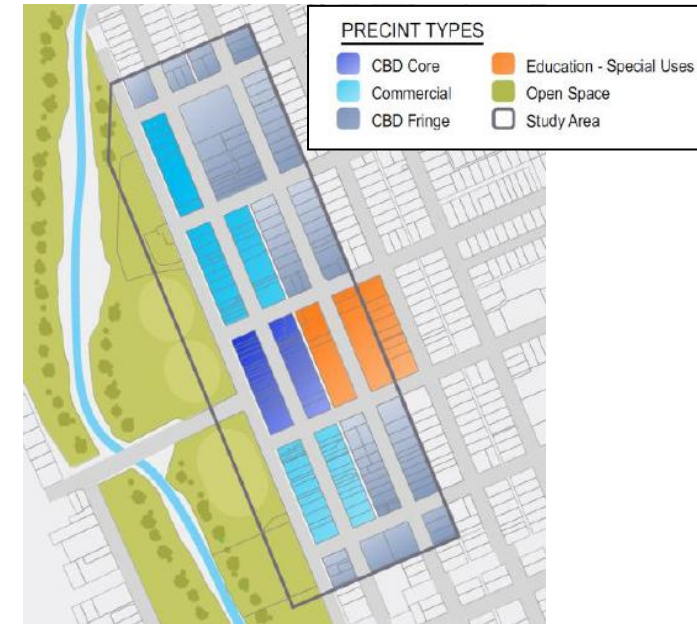


Above: Michelle, Narrabri CBD & Peter, Narrabri Creekside

Peter and Michelle have been busy working with an expert team of sub-consultants, including local Landscape Architect Rupert Milne Home, to prepare a Draft CBD Masterplan for Narrabri Shire Council. Following is a snapshot of the report and a proposed new public space within the Core CBD Area.



The CBD planning involved extensive community consultation and analysis of community and business needs.



## A NEW PLANNING ACT for NSW

**AAP's town planners were pleased to attend a briefing on the NSW Government's Green Paper titled 'A New Planning Act for NSW'.** The current reforms proposed by the State Government and which are generally also supported by the Planning Institute of Australia (NSW Division), are broad and far reaching.

It is recommended that any of our clients with significant landholdings stay closely tuned with respect to the new Act. What is already clear is that strategic planning will become even more important at the local level than was previously the case.



The breakfast briefing was kindly arranged by our State MP, Ms Leslie Williams (above left). Michelle Chapman (above right)

If you have any specific questions in respect of the proposed changes please feel free to call us for a chat!

It is anticipated that a White Paper will be produced sometime early in the new year for further consultation.

### More to enjoy at AAP's NEW website

AAP's new and improved website contains some great links and information. Check us out on [www.allaboutplanning.com.au](http://www.allaboutplanning.com.au) to view on-line resources and to subscribe to this newsletter.



### IN THE NEWS

#### Strategic Regional LAND USE PLANS

New Strategic Regional Land Use Plans (SRLUPs) covering the Upper Hunter & New England/North West region have been released to identify and protect more than 2 million hectares of strategic agricultural land and key water resources.

#### Central Rd Community Garden Stage 1 Design

Port Macquarie is set for a community garden – plans are currently on exhibition at Council.



#### URBAN RENEWAL Plans for Newcastle East & West



State Government has released an urban renewal plan for exhibition for the central and eastern part of Newcastle.

#### Town Beach Park Redevelopment

AAP also notes with interest draft plans for redevelopment and embellishment of PMQ's town beach skate park area, currently on public exhibition until end of February 2013.



Above: Extract of proposed Town Beach Park Plan, showing new kiosk and a central lawn space and picnic tables.

#### BARRANGAROO DEVELOPMENT UPDATE

A Masterplanning process for Sydney's Barangaroo is underway



Above: Recent Barangaroo Photomontage – prepared by the Barangaroo Delivery Authority

Barangaroo Central Vision

*Barangaroo Central will dare to be bold.*

*It will engage intimately with the harbour.*

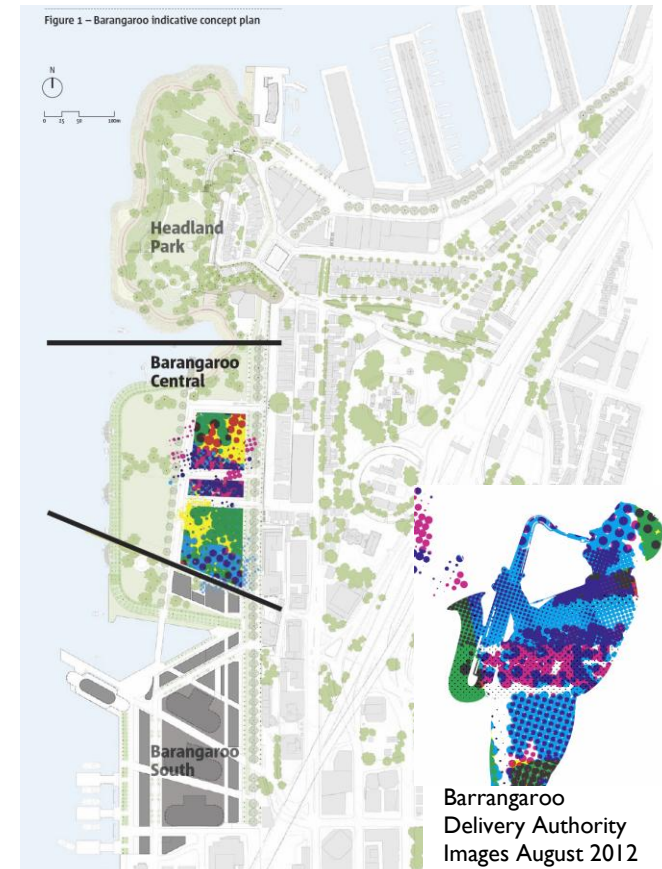
*Originality and creativity will drive a unique range of public and cultural activities stimulating all those who experience it.*

*It will marry commercial development outcomes with civic and cultural experiences.*

*It will showcase innovation and adventure, be engaging and accessible and feature forward thinking development.*

*Barangaroo Central must be an address that is recognised globally and loved locally.*

*It will be an evolving place, a dynamic space delivering experiences worth sharing.*



Above: Barangaroo Indicative Concept Plan

**Quote from the Narrabri CBD Masterplan:**  
**A town centre with few pedestrians is a social desert: it may also be an economic wasteland in so far as passing trade generates up to 50% of the profitability of retail businesses.**

(Wood, Sneesby & Baker, 2012)

**Happy new year to all and our best wishes for 2013!**

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