

Have your say on the revised rezoning proposal at Riverwood Estate

What's happening in Riverwood?

As you may know, Homes NSW has been working on a plan to renew the Riverwood Estate. An initial proposal for the renewal was placed on public exhibition in August and September 2022.

Based on community feedback, the original proposal has been revised to better meet community expectations. This will ensure minimal impact on existing infrastructure and better outcomes for social housing residents.

The revised proposal will go on public exhibition from Friday, 8 March 2024 until Monday, 8 April 2024. This is your opportunity to provide feedback.

The revised rezoning plans

The rezoning process for the new focus area will build on the previous renewal work completed at Washington Park in 2017, which transformed mostly old social housing dwellings into a modern, integrated mixed-tenure community.



Image: Washington Park, Riverwood

A revised proposal for the new focus area will pursue a mixed-tenure development of about 420 new homes, including 50% social and affordable housing.

The revised proposal means homes can be delivered sooner and supported with existing infrastructure and community facilities. It also enables Homes NSW to deliver more social and affordable housing in Riverwood.

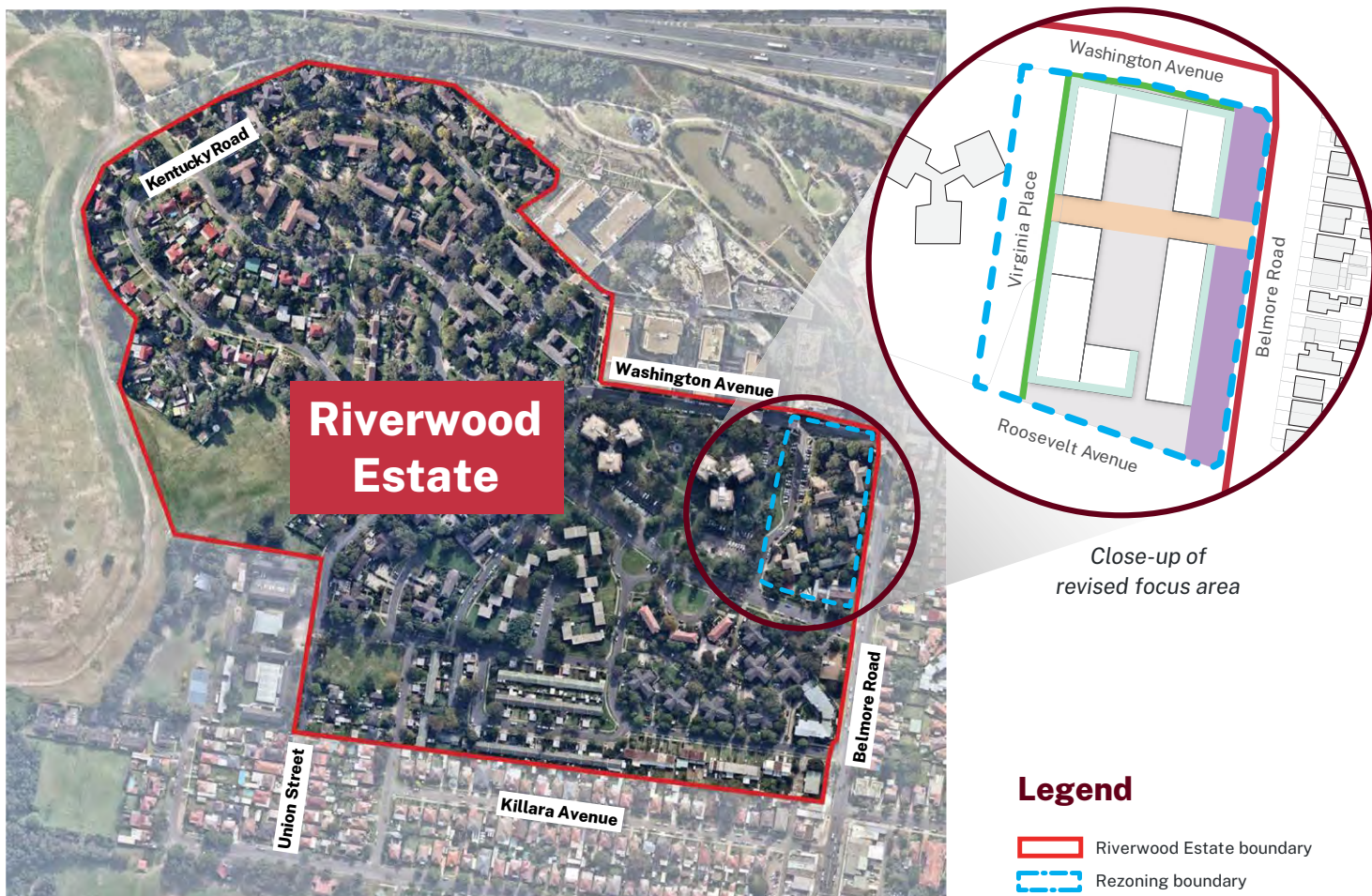
If the rezoning is approved, the community will have the chance to provide further feedback on the development design when a future Development Application (DA) is submitted.

Previous consultation

Following extensive consultation with the community in August and September 2022, we heard 3 key areas of concern:

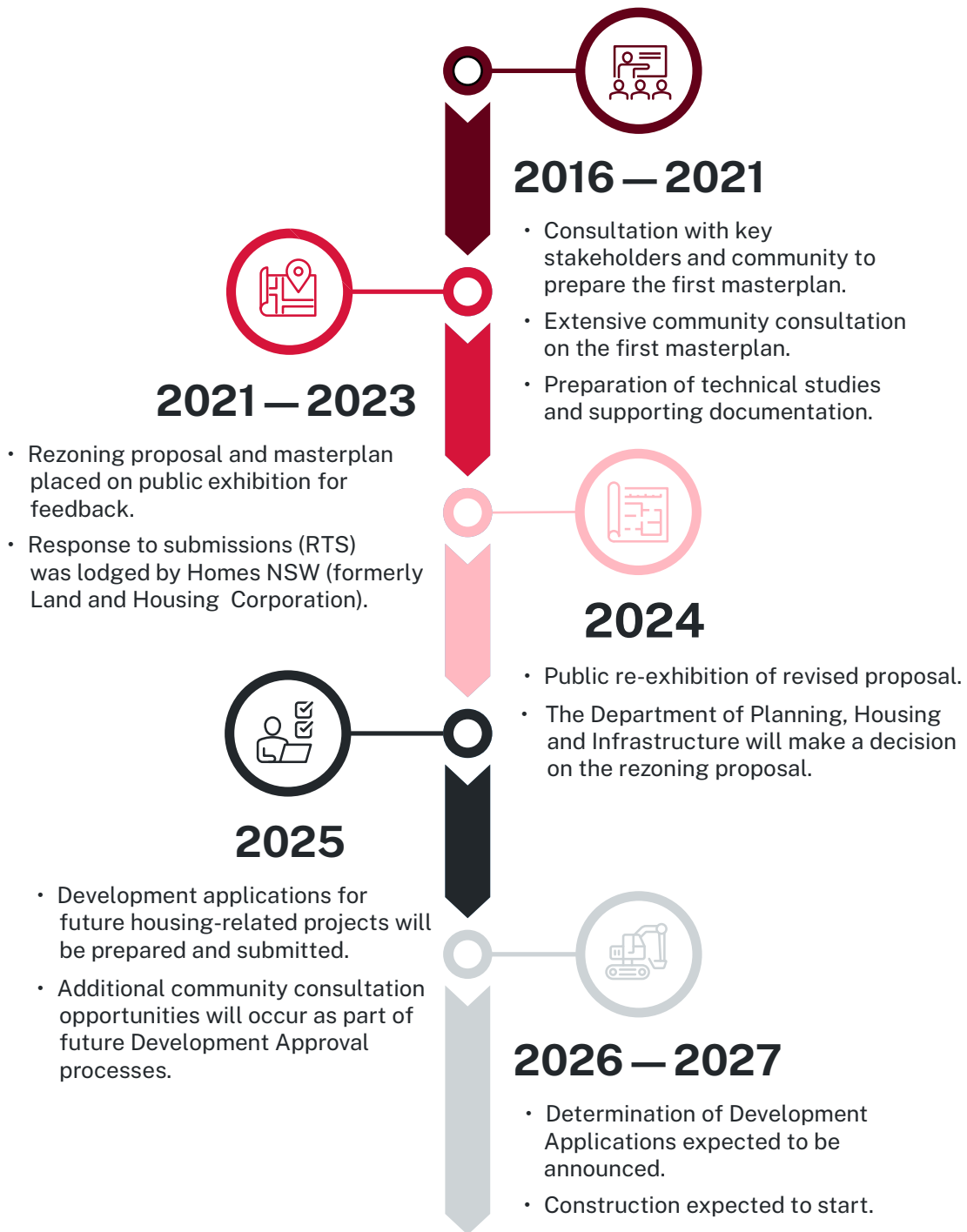
- A lack of infrastructure to cater for an increase in population
- An increase of density and possible overdevelopment of the area
- Public safety and the potential for anti-social behaviour.

We listened to the community and revised the proposed 3,900 new homes to 420 new homes. This will guarantee the delivery of supporting infrastructure via state and local contributions.



Aerial view of Riverwood Estate

Project timeline



About Homes NSW

The NSW Government is determined to make NSW a place where everyone has access to safe and secure housing, and where experiences of homelessness are rare, brief and non-recurring.

At Homes NSW, our role is to actively grow and manage the supply of the right types of housing, at the right time, in the right areas, for people in need in our communities. Access to safe housing assists people to pursue health, education and employment opportunities, which helps to strengthen the communities where we all live.

Homes NSW brings together the housing and homelessness services of the NSW Department of Communities and Justice (DCJ) with NSW Land and Housing Corporation (LAHC), the NSW Aboriginal Housing Office (AHO) and key worker housing.

To find out more, please visit our website at www.nsw.gov.au/homes-nsw or by scanning the QR code.



Learn more

Join us at a community information session to ask questions or learn more about the revised rezoning proposal.

Everyone is welcome, including local residents, businesses and community service providers.

Online

Tuesday, 19 March 2024

6pm – 7pm

Please scan QR code to register



In person drop-in sessions

Wednesday, 20 March 2024

11am – 1pm

Saturday, 23 March 2024

11am – 1pm

Riverwood Community Centre

151 Belmore Road North, Riverwood

To speak with our Community Engagement team, please call 1800 738 718 (voicemail) or email CommunityEngagement@homes.nsw.gov.au

Have your say

Riverwood's revised rezoning proposal is now on public exhibition. You can provide feedback by submitting a formal submission to the Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure.



Att: Director Eastern & South Districts
Department of Planning, Housing and Infrastructure
Locked Bag 5022 Parramatta NSW 2124



Website:
www.planning.nsw.gov.au/riverwood

Submissions will be accepted until 5pm on Monday, 8 April 2024.

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