Landscape Strategy

The Saltwater Open Space Strategy provides for the future provision, planning, design and management of public and private open space that is set aside for lifestyle, leisure, recreation and nature conservation purposes. The aim is to preserve and enhance Saltwater’s environmental values and provide for future community needs.

This Open Space Strategy sets out the key issues arising following an analysis of demographic demand and open space supply.

For each key issue a goal, objectives, strategies and actions have been identified.

Key open space issues are identified in this strategy are:

• Providing access to South West Rocks natural environment
• Main Beach, Lagoon and its environs, heritage trails and Arkoon National Park
• Having a mix of open space types and experiences
• Making places to commute with nature and share the special identity of Saltwater Lagoon environs…A greener more liveable Saltwater
• Making the most of open space and greener streets and private gardens through effective management and design guidelines
• Enhancing participation and use of open space for the wider community
• Development of a network of shared bushland trails

To create a healthy functioning urban environment with Open Space as a foundation for the communities healthy and active living to provide social, ecological and economic values to celebrate the projects unique landscape setting
Openspace Network Principles

- **Sites natural attributes preserved and enhanced**, sedge and heath replenished in streets, riparian system, Bushland and adjacent vegetation,

- **Access to natural areas** Saltwater Lagoon and the creek systems for active and passive outdoor recreation,

- **Green web of open space**, drainage systems, streets and special places inked to the environmental protection zones

- **Preserve and enhance the fauna and flora** of vegetation surrounding the developable to provide habitat, enable wildlife movement and make a valued contribution to the scenic amenity the site

- **A Local park** of high visual amenity and sense of place, spatially contained by higher density living lots

- **Open space vegetation** associations fabricated from endemic native species, limited exotic and Introduced Australian Native species and cultivars

- **Linear parklands** to incorporate open waterways as natural elements within the broader landscape to drain water at surface

- **A diverse native palette** in the open space, parks and streets and strategy for the management of trees throughout the project

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Borrows on the significant open space on and surrounding The development
- Saltwater Lagoon
- Horseshoe Bay Main Beach
- The Golf Course
- South West Rocks Country Club
- Local Playing Fields
- Arakoon National Park

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Streetscape & Local Parks

Open space and streetscapes reflect local character experienced as a continuum from the urban areas, the coastal Main Beach zone and proximity to Saltwater Lagoon.

Street Tree Species Selection

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Local Park Principles

Create a park which is a mixture of planting pockets and open turf areas which provides low key picnic facilities, passive recreational facilities and open active recreation.

Balance of native planted pockets and open turf areas
- Large gathering nodes with BBQ/picnic facilities
- All age play areas
- Pedestrian/Cycle path network which links into the Village & National Park
- Informal active recreation spaces
- Retained Trees
Urban Structure and Density

Principles

A clear rationale to the location and mix of dwelling types of standard lot single dwelling, dual occupancy, with medium density, seniors living cottages either close to amenities, fronting linear parks, open space

Provision for alternative house and land configurations to cater for outcomes such as:

• Urban development balanced with natural areas and landscapes, local identity, physical character reinforced
• Protect Flora and fauna through biodiversity and ecological habitats and through developing open space that responds to this need
• Density with amenity principles adopted
• Consider ‘Pepper & Salt’ lot distribution as democratic design
• Plan for lifestyle change and what happens over time
PLANTING CHARACTER

Planting at Saltwater will be comprised of predominantly endemic vegetation and compatible Australian native coastal species.
A transition approach is proposed that will evolve from 85% native tree and understory species applied in organic, natural patterning around the edge of the development, through to a maximum 15% introduced understorey and 50% introduced tree species within the streetscape and local parks.
These ratios will be fine turned to meet KSC approval conditions and other directives.

Landscape Design Guidelines
To achieve the desired landscape outcome within private open space the following landscaping guidelines should be used:
Street frontage gardens should be planted with no less than 80% of species selected from the attached scheduled of plants that are native to the Saltwater Lagoon area
The use of cultivated turfgrass to an area of not more than 60% of the landscaped area is desirable.
Introduced plants are listed in the schedule for options that encourage variety and interest
Planting density should not exceed 3 plants per m2.
Landscaping of the area between the dwelling and the street frontage should be completed within 6 months of practical completion of the dwelling
Rain garden detention depressions planted with waterwise native grasses or sedges are encouraged providing the design eliminates potential breeding sites for mosquitoes and midges

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NATIVE TREES for STREET FRONTAGE GARDENS
Acacia binerva
Acmena smithii var. minor
Backhousia citriodora
Banksia integrifolia
Banksia serrata
Buckinghamia celcissima
Cupanopsis anacardiodes
Elaeocarpus reticulates
Eucalyptus haemastoma
Hymenosperum avum
Syzygium paniculatum
Waterhousia oribunda