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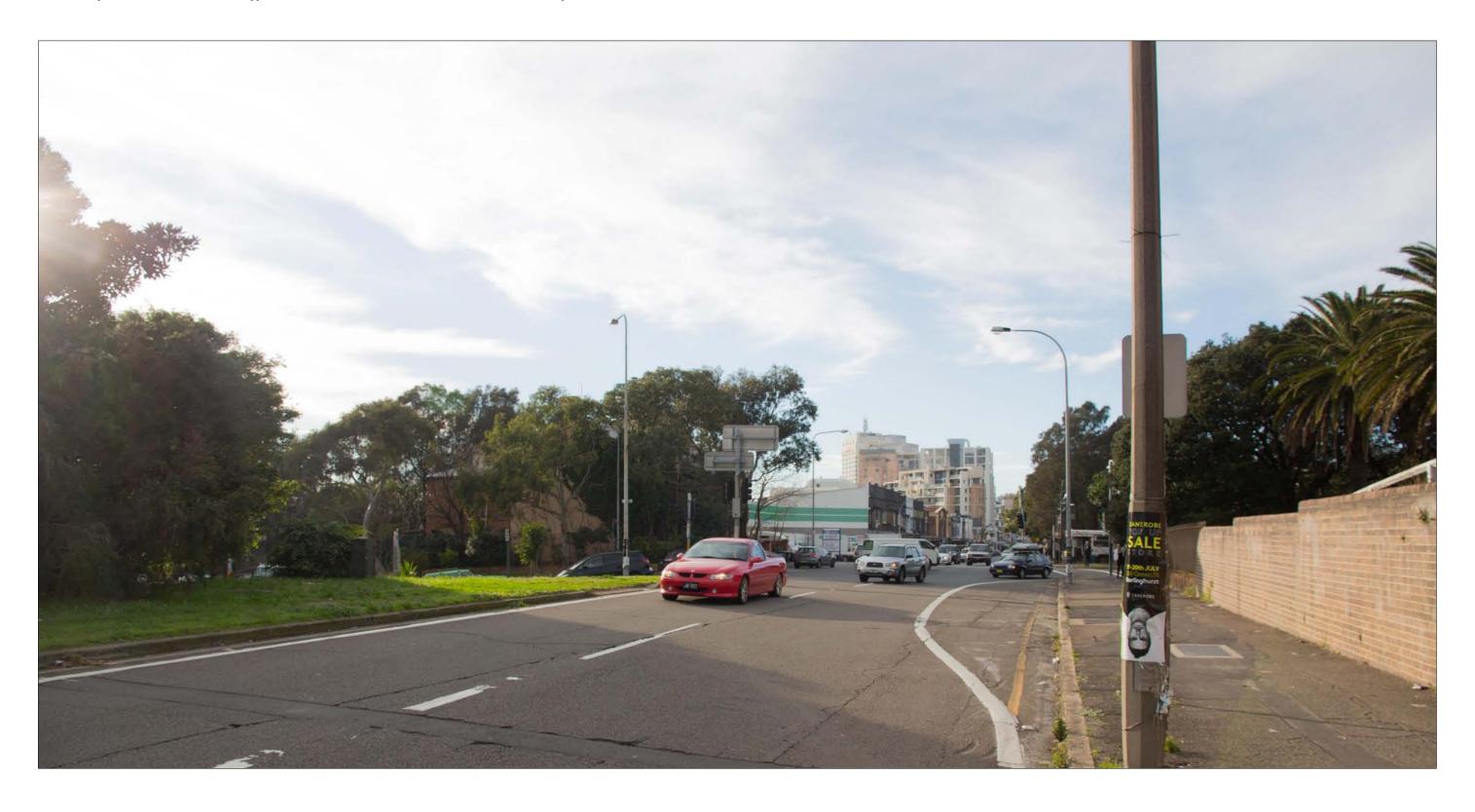
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EXISTING OXFORD STREET VIEW FROM WOOLLAHRA GATE OF CENTENNIAL PARK

Currently no landmark to identify the entrance to Bondi Junction and Waverley LGA.





INDICATIVE OXFORD STREET PLANNING PROPOSAL

VISION OF WOOLLAHRA GATE OF CENTENNIAL PARK SUBJECT TO DESIGN EXCELLENCE COMPETITION

A new 'gateway' tower of excellent architectural design with public spaces and art at street level to mark the arrival to Waverley LGA.



EXISTING NELSON STREETVIEW OF SITE, FROM CORNER OF OXFORD AND NELSON STREET





INDICATIVE NELSON STREET PLANNING PROPOSAL

VISION OF PROPOSAL FROM CORNER OF OXFORD & NELSON STREET SUBJECT TO DESIGN EXCELLENCE COMPETITION



EXISTING ENVIRONMENT

Harsh road & vehicle dominated environment.
Unsafe cycleways.
Difficult pedestrian connections.
Lack of identity or public domain quality in a very prominent intersection.
Gateway to major centre not identifiable.













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THE SITES

Long neglected, the western end of Bondi Junction has never received the same attention as it's eastern counterpart. Cut abruptly by the creation of the Syd Einfeld expressway in 1982, the area remains fractured, disjointed and unresolved. Whilst prominent when approaching from the city, the western gateway to Waverley remains dominated by vehicular traffic, hostile to pedestrians and cyclists alike and aesthetically challenged.

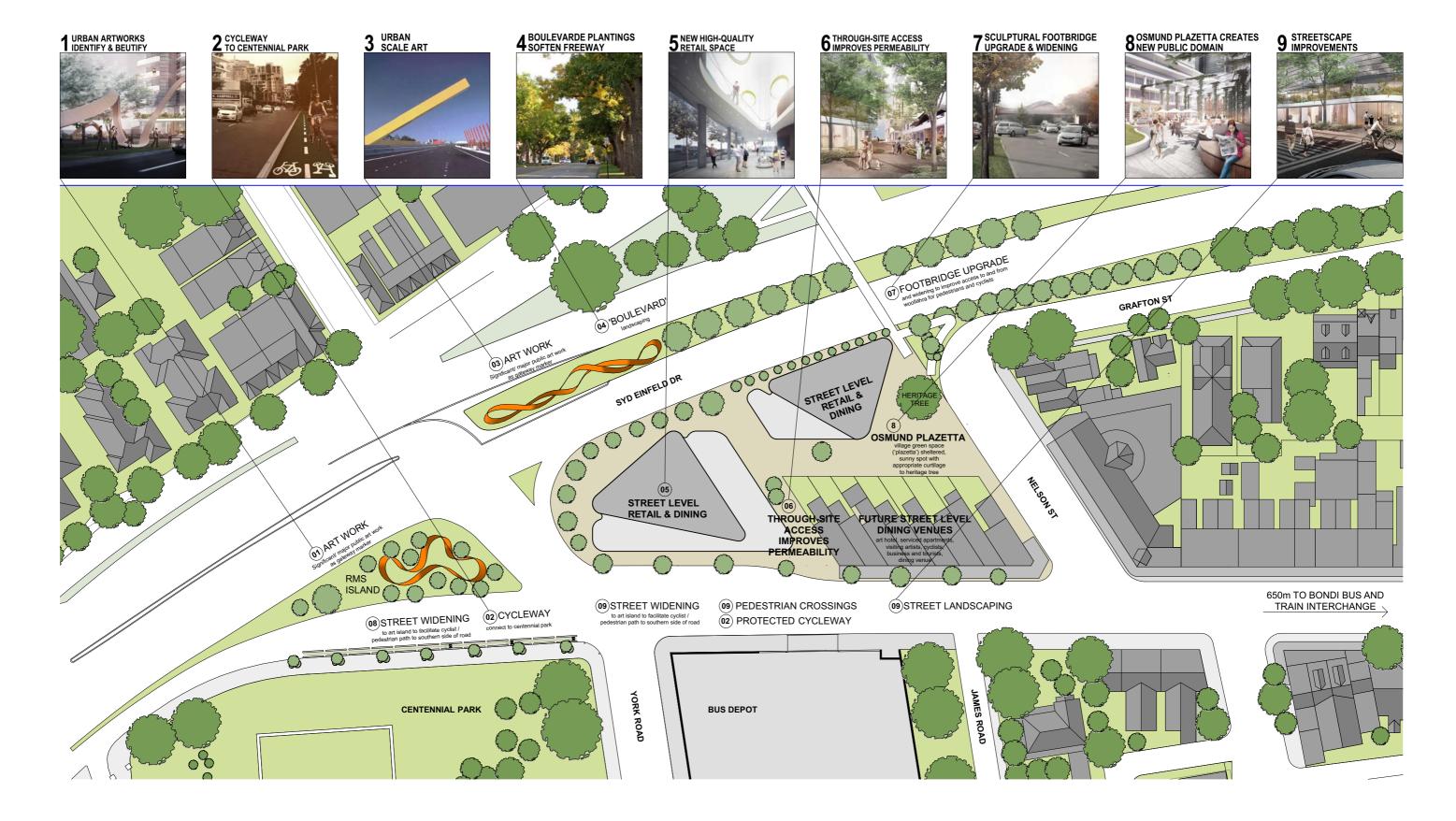


1/ BONDI JUNCTION AERIAL PHOTO SITE AERIAL PHOTO

CHALLENGES IDENTIFIED



STREET LEVEL AND PUBLIC DOMAIN OPPORTUNITIES



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EXISTING HEIGHTS IN BONDI JUNCTION

There is no shortage of tower built forms that have shaped east & central Bondi Junction into a substantial commercial & residential centre for the eastern suburbs. A balanced approach would continue this urban pattern towards the west of the suburb to speak to the City, and the broader area. It is not known why the western end has been ignored and permitted to lag behind the rest of Bondi Junction.

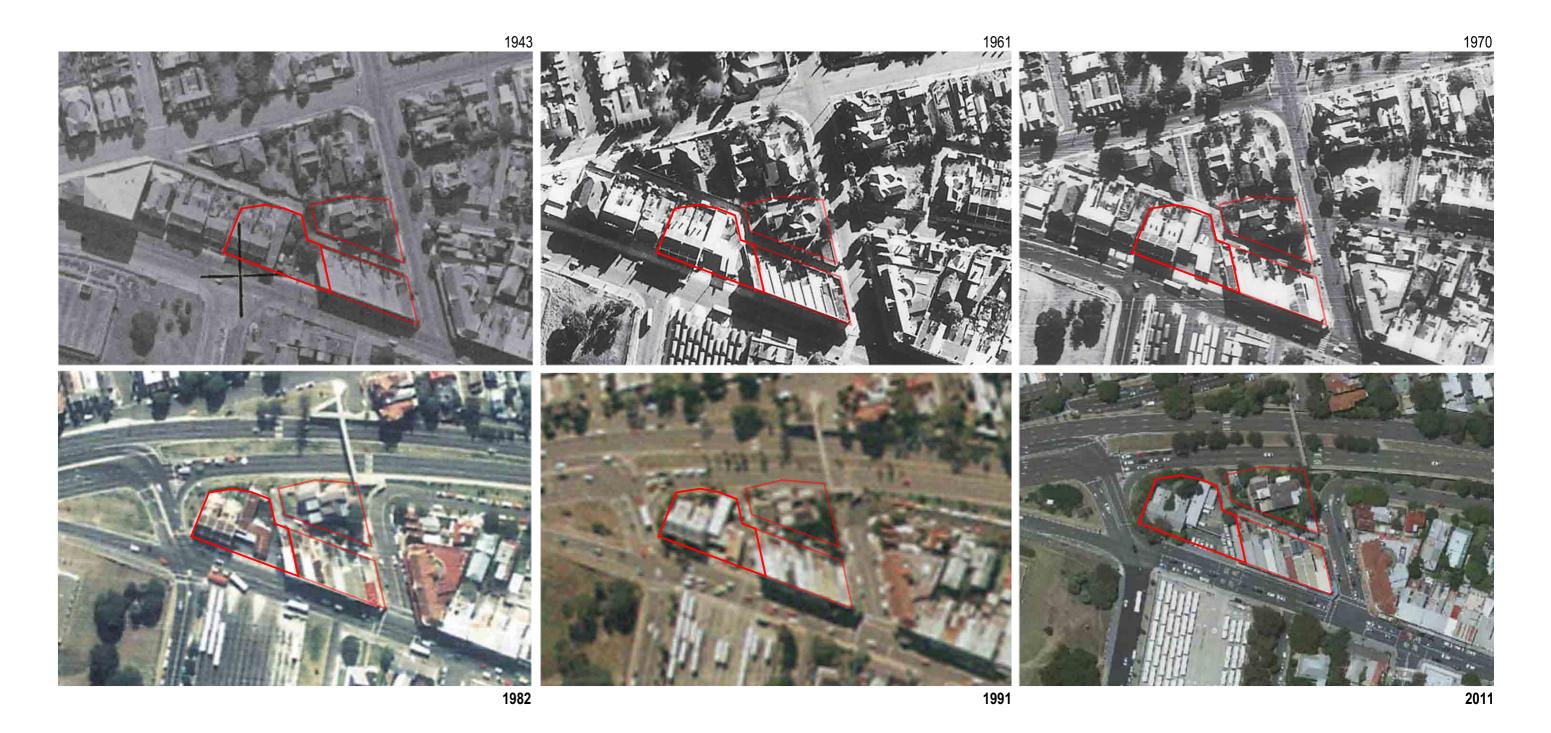


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HISTORICAL CONTEXT

The study area was originally part of an impressive intersection, abruptly hacked by the introduction of Syd Einfeld drive in the 1980's.

The current study presents an opportunity to address this urban anomaly.



LOCAL HERITAGE

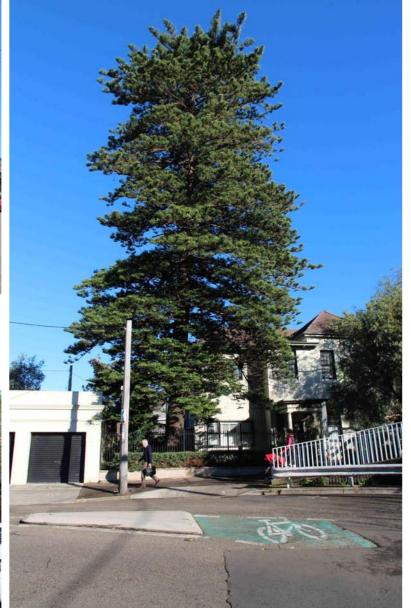
We have closely examined our study area for its history & conservation needs. (see Heritage Report and Statement).

It is proposed that the public domain improvements will enhance the usability and aesthetic enjoyment of the heritage aspects offered by the area.









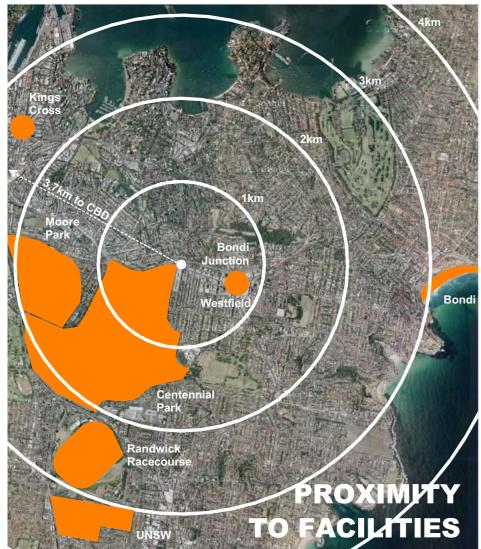
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NORFOLK ISLAND PINE

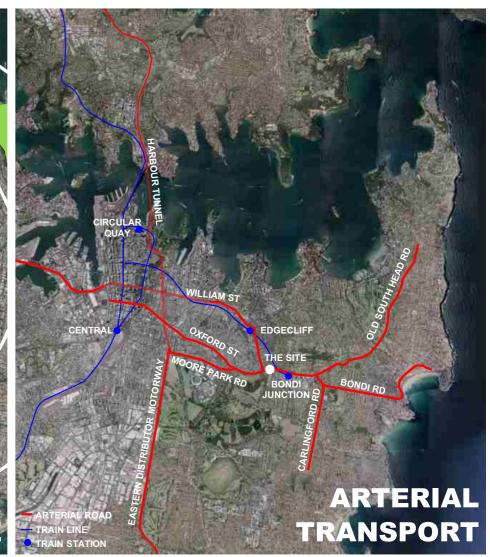
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THE CONTEXT

The study area lies in close proximity to a wide variety of public facilities and open spaces and is well serviced by high capacity train, bus & potentially light rail services.







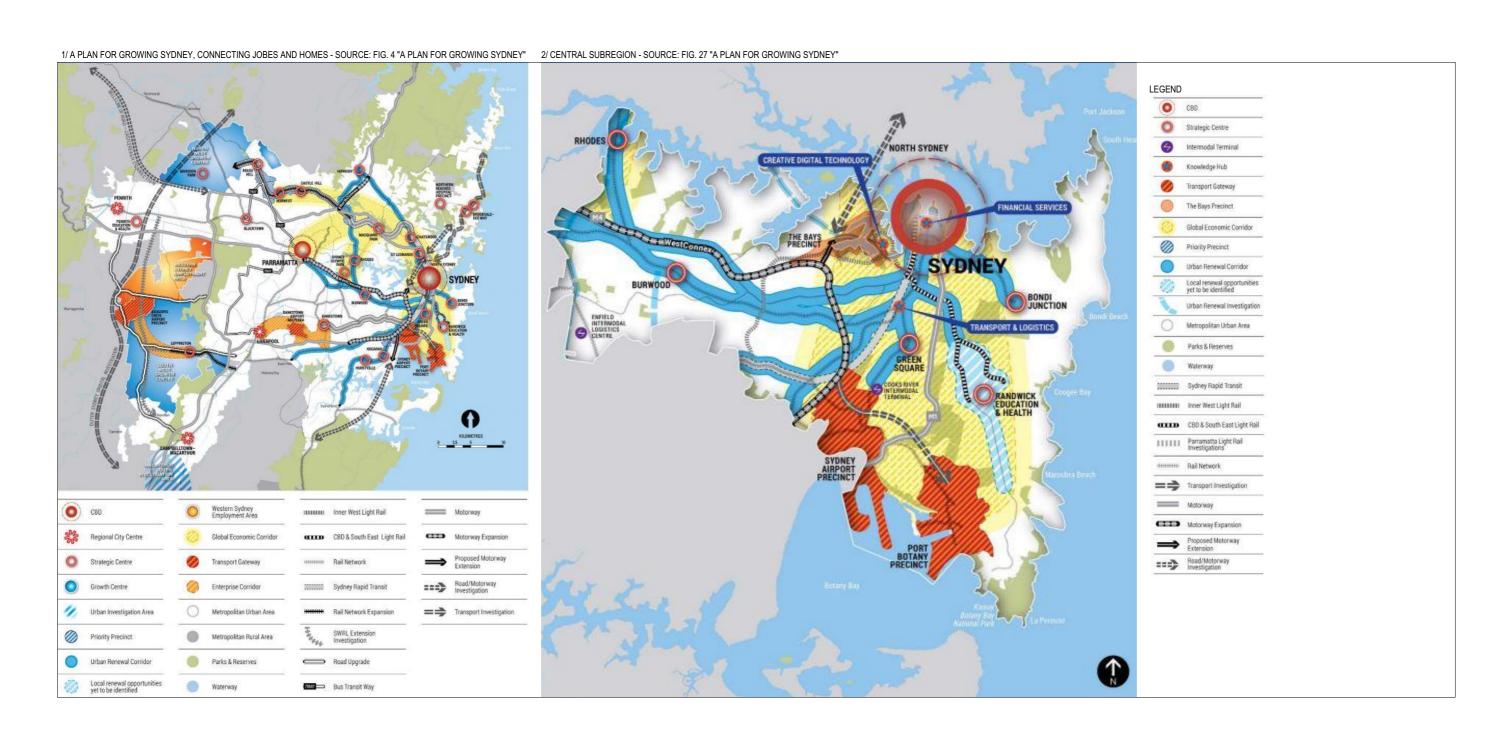
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AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH SHOWING EXISTING OPEN SPACES IN RELATION TO THE SITE

AERIAL PHOTOGRAPH SHOWING THE SITE AND MAIN ARTERIAL ROADS & TRAIN LINES

METROPOLITAN STRATEGY

The NSW Government's strategy for Sydney includes Bondi Junction as an integral part of a Urban Renewal Corridor. In the plan "A Plan For Growing Sydney", Bondi Junction is highlighted as a Strategic Centre, and is described as a priority location for mixed-use activity of an amount, density and diversity that is of metropolitan significance.

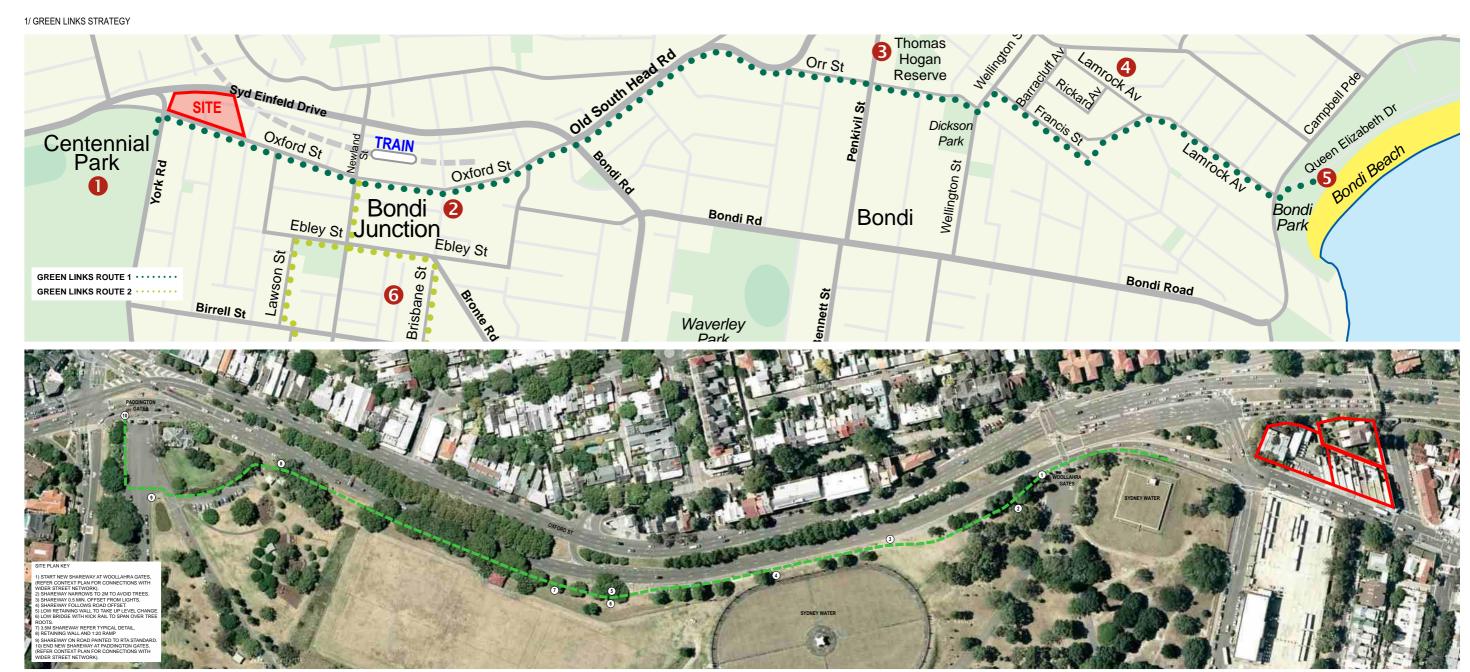


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GREEN LINKS STRATEGY

The study area forms a key element in Waverley Council's Green Links Strategy. In effect, the study area forms a critical link between the Paddington Gates of Centennial Park, through Waverley and onto Bondi Beach. However, the dominance of vehicular and bus traffic makes commencing the journey difficult and potentially dangerous in places.

Along with the newly constructed northern Centennial Park share-way (cycleway), the West Oxford Street study area could play a key role in promoting bicycle transport within Waverley and the broader eastern suburbs.



2/ CENTENIAL PARK OXFORD STREET SHAREWAY - ALREADY CONSTRUCTED