

## UDIA NSW welcomes new appointments for WPCA and GSC

**Friday 24 July 2020 (Sydney, Australia)** – UDIA NSW CEO Steve Mann congratulates Jane Fitzgerald on her appointment as interim chief executive of the Greater Sydney Commission (GSC).

“UDIA NSW welcomes the appointment of former Property Council’s NSW Executive Director Jane Fitzgerald. Jane Fitzgerald has an extensive history in collaboration across government and industry and we look forward to working with her in her new role.”

Mr Mann also extends his congratulations to Dr Sarah Hill for her appointment to the newly formed Western Parkland City Authority (WPCA), an expansion of the Western City Aerotropolis Authority (WCAA).

“Dr Sarah Hill now has the opportunity to execute the polycentric city vision for Sydney which she helped devise while at Greater Sydney Commission. The delivery of the Western Parkland City, as a world-class, 30-minute city will be crucial to the economic development of the West.”

UDIA NSW will be continuing advocacy for the **Western Parkland City Authority** to progress:

- rezoning of the Aerotropolis with a clear infrastructure plan in line with UDIA NSW’s Aerotropolis Delivery Program;
- a reinstated Urban Development Program (UDP) for Greater Sydney to provide a clear line of sight for forward development and infrastructure coordination across Western Sydney. UDIA’s UDP South West Stage 2 Pilot will bring together, the future development pipeline, monitoring housing supply targets and coordinating and prioritising the delivery of the supporting infrastructure needed to deliver growth;
- an extension of the commitment to North-South rail - connecting from St Marys to Tallawong to create the 'iron spine' of TOD centres and the Southern Extension to Greater Macarthur. This will connect the West with the West and improve equity outcomes in Western Sydney;
- achieving consensus and action on the future of water in Western Sydney, including recycled water, flooding and the blue-green grid vision for South Creek and the Parkland City.

And advocating for **Greater Sydney Commission** to enable:

- the need for ongoing response to COVID-19 with a double dividend delivery of jobs for enabling infrastructure that will lead to shovel-ready housing;
- a focus on job creation and furthering the economic development of Parramatta as the Central River City;
- the transformation of remnant industrial land into vibrant mixed-use urban centres;
- the creation of city-shaping transport infrastructure in line with the delivery of a polycentric city;

- better collaboration between State and Local Governments and industry with the goal of identifying and delivering new economic development;
- clear and transparent housing targets which create housing supply close to new employment centres in the West.

“The next stage of the Aerotropolis will be a defining moment in the history of Greater Sydney in delivering the Metropolis of Three Cities regional plan for Sydney integrated with the 2056 NSW Transport Regional Plan. The vision for the Western Parkland City must be delivered to create a city that will raise the bar on global city-making.”

“There is a long and difficult road ahead to ensure that the right infrastructure is in place at the right time. Let’s not forget that the vision for Western Sydney is to deliver the infrastructure and services to build a third city which is liveable, affordable and well connected.”

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