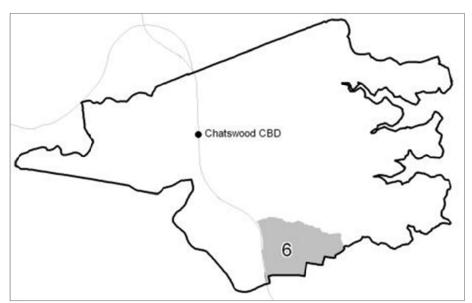


6. Southern mixed residential and commercial (incl. Conservation Areas)



Key landscape features

Geology and soils:

Wianamatta Group shales (approximately 50% of precinct) – central and western portions of precinct with shallow to moderately deep loams, silty-loams and clay-loam soils of low to moderate fertility;

Hawkesbury sandstone (45% of precinct) – northern, eastern and south-eastern portions of precinct with fine to medium-grained quartz sandstone and inter-bedded shale; soils are typically shallow, apedal, porous sandy to sandy loams; Disturbed terrain/ ex situ fill (approx. 5% of precinct/ Bicentennial Reserve).

Topography, slope and aspect:

Central and western areas – undulating to rolling low hills with no rock outcrops, grading to localised steep slopes with some sandstone outcropping and benches (northern and eastern areas);

Eastern edge of precinct (adjoining Flat Rock Gully Reserve) – very steep and rugged sandstone slopes and ridges with rock outcrops, benches and broken scarps (up to 10 metres high); aspect varies – mainly north-west to north-east.

Cultural landscape:

Predominantly low to medium density residential (incl. two Conservation Areas) and commercial areas; Gore Hill Freeway splits the precinct into east and west portions; Gore Hill Freeway and Bicentennial Reserve (northern boundary), Flat Rock Gully Reserve (eastern boundary), Palmer Street/ Wheatleigh Street/ Chandos Street (southern boundary) and rail corridor (western boundary).

Presence of remnant native vegetation:

Eastern boundary/ Flat Rock Gully Reserve – conserves remnant Sydney Sandstone Ridgetop Woodland (10ar (i)) and Sydney Sandstone Gully Forest (10ag (i)) however no remnant native vegetation in streetscapes. Prior to clearing this area would have supported a range of ecological communities including Blue Gum High Forest, Sydney-Turpentine Ironbark Forest, Sydney Sandstone Gully Forest and Sydney Sandstone Ridgetop Woodland (source: *Willoughby Natural Heritage Register*).

Streetscape type/character:

Dominant cultural plantations/ mixed exotic and native tree species (evergreen and deciduous); typically mixed range of *Eucalyptus/ Corymbia* spp. within each street. 15-20+ different tree species per street is typical (e.g. Garland Road has 21 tree (16 native/ 5 exotic trees species out of a total of 76 planted trees and Dalleys Road has 23 tree species (17 native/ 6 exotic trees) out of a total of 92 planted trees).

Heritage Conservation Areas:

1. Naremburn Heritage Conservation Area: C8 (WDCP 2012 Part H: Heritage Item H3.9); and

2. Naremburn Central Township Heritage Conservation Area: C9 (WDCP 2012 Part H: Heritage Item H3.10).

Historic significance:

Naremburn HCA: Broughton Estate subdivided in 1903 following extension of tramline along Willoughby Road to Willoughby; land subdivided into grid pattern of very small allotments with detached Federation working class cottages; boom period until the 1930s and generally intact Federation suburb.

Darvall Street retains a significant formal avenue plantation of Canary Island Date Palms (WDCP, 2012 HCA-C8/ H3-31). This is possibly one of the oldest formal street tree plantations on the North Shore.



PHOTO 5: Darvall Street – Avenue of Canary Island Date Palms (*Phoenix canariensis*) – a significant heritage plantation

Naremburn Central Township HCA: First settled area in Naremburn (oldest commercial development on North Shore); Market Street – from early 1880s development included small businesses and home industries; area conserves wide range of working class Federation cottages, Californian bungalows, semi-detached housing and some late Victorian residences.

HCA-C8 Key period of significance: 1903-1915 (WDCP, 2012, H3-32); HCA-C9 Key period of significance: 1880-1930 (WDCP, 2012, H3-35).

Significant Inter-war period (single species and mixed) plantations:

Plunkett Street Darvall Street

Age structure of cultural street tree plantations:

Conservation Areas: Federation & Inter-war plantations (up to 90-100 years+)

Dominant planting: varies; generic native planting (up to 30-40 years+)

| PRECINCT 6: SOUTHERN MIXED RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL/ CONSERVATION Existing typical or dominant planted tree species* | | | | | | |
|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|
| Location | Tree Species (cultivated) | | | | | |
| Plunkett Street/ Darvall Street | Lophostemon confertus (Brush Box) Phoenix canariensis (Canary Island Date Palm) Lagerstroemia indica var. (Crepe Myrtle) | | | | | |
| Mitchell Street/ Oxley Street | Afrocarpus falcatus (Outeniqua Yellowwood) Callistemon spp. (Bottlebrush) Melaleuca quinquenervia (Broad-leaved Paperbark) | | | | | |
| Dalleys Road | Lagerstroemia indica var. (Crepe Myrtle) Callistemon spp. (Bottlebrush) Triadica sebifera syn. Sapium sebiferum (Chinese Tallow Tree) | | | | | |
| Station Street/ Francis Street | Casuarina cunninghamiana (River Oak) Tristaniopsis laurina (Water Gum) Lophostemon confertus (Brush Box) | | | | | |
| Dargan Street/ Northcote Street | Tristaniopsis laurina (Water Gum) Callistemon spp. (Bottlebrush) Cupaniopsis anacardioides (Tuckeroo) | | | | | |
| Garland Road/ Market Street/ Central Street | Agonis flexuosa (Willow Myrtle) Melaleuca quinquenervia (Broad-leaved Paperbark) Ulmus parvifolia (Chinese Elm) | | | | | |

^{*} NOTE: Street tree planting is dominated by a wide range of exotic and generic native trees and shrubs, including various cultivars (15-20+ tree species per street is typical).

Key precinct objectives

- Protect the historic character, scale and integrity of late Victorian and Federation streetscapes within the two Heritage Conservation Areas (incl. removal of inappropriate infill and replacement species);
- Protect and maintain the integrity and intactness of historic single species avenues (incl. significant Federation/or early Inter-war period avenue of Canary Island Date Palms in Darvall Street);
- Implement a program to phase-out unsuitable and/ or poorly performing street trees including removal of disparate elements (i.e. varying forms, habit, structure, texture, etc.) and variety of tree species in many streets;
- Promote consistency in tree species selection ensuring continuity, unity and cohesiveness in the palettes for each street and across the precinct;

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- Avoid infill planting strategies which add further layers of inconsistent, disjunctive and/ or mixed generic native and exotic tree species of varying scale, form and texture;
- Consolidate thematic planting approach in commercial centres including use of select cultivars of deciduous species to enhance microclimatic conditions and to provide seasonal colour and texture;
- Prioritise Willoughby Road as a key connector road implementing a planting strategy using single or two (mixed) species within the streetscape (i.e. one species under overhead powerlines/ shop awnings and alternative species with no service restrictions).

| PRECINCT 6: SOUTHERN MIXED RESIDENTIAL & COMMERCIAL/ CONSERVATION Proposed street tree species | | | | | | | | | | |
|--|----------------------|-----------|-----------|-------------|--------------|--------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| Tree Species | Common Name | evergreen | decidnous | habit/form' | verge width² | power-lines ³ | | | | |
| Acmena smithii | Lilly Pilly | Е | - | cr | N | N | | | | |
| Afrocarpus falcatus | Outeniqua Yellowwood | Е | - | cs | W | N | | | | |
| Backhousia citriodora | Lemon-scented Myrtle | Е | - | cr | М | N | | | | |
| Banksia integrifolia | Coast Banksia | - | D | no | М | Υ | | | | |
| Corymbia maculata | Spotted Gum | Е | - | no | М | N | | | | |
| Cupaniopsis anacardioides | Tuckeroo | Е | - | cr | N | Υ | | | | |
| Eucalyptus haemastoma | Scribbly Gum | Е | - | os | W | N | | | | |
| Flindersia australis | Australian Teak | Е | - | cs | М | N | | | | |
| Gordonia axillaris | Gordonia | Е | - | cu | М | Υ | | | | |
| Jacaranda mimosifolia | Jacaranda | - | D | os | М | N | | | | |
| Lagerstroemia indica x L. fauriei var. | Crepe Myrtle cv.* | - | D | cu | М | Υ | | | | |
| Lophostemon confertus | Brush Box | Е | - | cr | W | N | | | | |
| Melaleuca spp. | Paperbark / Tea Trea | Е | - | | М | Υ | | | | |
| Phoenix canariensis** | Canary Is. Date Palm | Е | - | - | М | N | | | | |
| Pistacia chinensis | Chinese Pistachio | - | D | cr | М | N | | | | |
| Pyrus calleryana 'Cleveland Select' | Ornamental Pear | - | D | cr | М | N | | | | |

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| Pyrus calleryana 'Capital' | Ornamental Pear | - | D | cn | N | N |
|----------------------------|---------------------|---|---|----|---|---|
| Tristaniopsis spp. | Water Gum | Е | - | cr | М | Υ |
| Ulmus parvifolia | Chinese Elm | - | D | os | W | N |
| Waterhousea floribunda | Weeping Lilly Pilly | Е | - | cs | М | N |
| Xanthostemon chrysanthus | Golden Penda | Е | - | cr | N | Υ |

NOTES: Species are shown in alphabetical order and do not denote dominance or ranking.

'HABIT/ FORM OF TREE

c = compact/dense foliage; o = open crown/ canopy; upright = u; r = rounded; s = spreading; n = narrow/columnar or pyramidal.

²MINIMUM VERGE WIDTH (incl. footpath):

N = narrow (<2.5 metres)

M = medium (2.5-4.0 metres)

W = wide (>4.0 metres)

³PLANTING UNDER POWER-LINES (incl. ABC):

Item denotes suitability for planting under overhead power-lines or aerial bundled cabling: N = NO; Y = YES

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^{*} Lagerstroemia indica x L. fauriei select cultivars including "Acoma", "Sioux", "Natchez" and "Tuscarora".

^{**} Phoenix canariensis to be used only within existing plantations in Conservation Areas.



Lilly Pilly Acmena smithii



Outeniqua Yellowwood Afrocarpus falcatus



Tree Waratah

Alloxylon flammeum



Smooth-barked Apple Angophora costata



Lemon-scented Myrtle Backhousia citriodora



Grey Myrtle (immature) Backhousia myrtifolia



Tuckeroo Cupaniopsis anacardioides



Red Bloodwood – bark detail Corymbia gummifera



Eumundi Quandong Elaeocarpus eumundi



Heart-leaf Stringybark – leaf detail Eucalyptus camfieldii



Broad-leaved Scribbly Gum Eucalyptus haemastoma



Sydney Peppermint Eucalyptus piperita



Narrow-leaved Scribbly Gum Eucalyptus racemosa



Sydney Blue Gum Eucalyptus saligna



Australian Teak Flindersia australis



Bumpy Ash Flindersia schottiana



Cheese Tree Glochidion ferdinandi



Gordonia Gordonia axillaris



Purple-leaf Hibiscus Hibiscus tiliaceus var. rubra



Jacaranda Jacaranda mimosifolia



Crepe Myrtle cv. Yuma Lagerstroemia indica x L. fauriei



Southern Magnolia cv. Exmouth Magnolia grandiflora 'Exmouth'



Ornamental Pear – autumn foliage Pyrus calleryana 'Chanticleer'



Turpentine Syncarpia glomulifera



Cherry Satinash Syzygium luehmannii



Water Gum cv. Luscious Tristaniopsis laurina 'Luscious'



Weeping Lilly Pilly Waterhousea floribunda



Golden Penda Xanthostemon chrysanthus