BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT
BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER
Urban Design and Landscape Plan
Cover image:
Artist impression – view of new Batemans Bay Bridge from Holmes Lookout, Clyde River National Park

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### Gateway

There are entrance points which have a high degree of visibility and a distinct sense of transition. Gateways may include landscaping, public art, gateway structures, special lighting and signs.

**Shared Path**

These are priority routes for pedestrians and cyclists. A pathway adjacent to the road.

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**NOTE**

This report illustrates drawings and images to demonstrate urban design intent only. Structural and other engineering information shown is indicative only, please refer to engineering drawings for details.

Design development is underway and this report includes the current status of design, which will be subject to confirmation following stakeholder and community consultation.

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1.0 General

1.1 Purpose of this report
This report illustrates the project’s urban and landscape design plan. Specifically, how the New Batemans Bay Bridge relate to its context, how the proposed design solutions respond to the specific requirements determined as part of the approval documents and community consultation. It is also worth noting, that the Project falls under the compliancy of the Safety Mitigation Measures (SMM).

Project components are developed through an integrated urban design approach. This approach encourages a continuous component evolution and refinement throughout the Project period.

The components have receive further development as part of the detailed design stage, arising from engineering requirements, construction constraints and Authority approvals, as well as design modifications as an outcome of the community and stakeholder consultation process.

1.2 Design methodology
The integrated urban and landscape design for the project are prepared in collaboration with a multi-disciplinary team of engineers, contractors, artist, community and stakeholder consultant, landscape designers, 3D visualisers and urban designers. We have worked very closely with other members of the team including Context Landscape Design (in association with CM+), John Holland, VSL, Tony Gee, Jacobs, and our community and stakeholder consultant Mirella Di Genua.

Key steps included:
- Attended site visit
- Reviewed background documents
- Identified opportunities
- Developed urban and landscape design objectives and principles based on overall project objectives
- Developed design strategies based on driver experience and legacy projects
- Prepared concept sketches and alternate options for northern and southern foreshores
- Developed design of bridge piers based on the key strategies
- Developed urban design features in consultation with artist
- Developed the process of preparing detailed design and documentation
- Check SWTC Compliance.

Softwares:
- Main Report: InDesign
- Drawings: Civil/Map 3D, AutoCad 2018
- 3D images: 3D Max, Rhino, Sketchup, Lumion, hand sketches
- General graphics: Photoshop, Illustrator, PowerPoint.

1.3 Document structure
This report has been structured to identify design responses and strategies, as well as demonstrating compliance as outlined in the Technical Criteria Scope of Works (SWTC) and SMM.

Chapter 1.0 – General
Introduces the project, design methodologies employed and guideline documents used to inform the design.

Chapter 2.0 – Compliance with environmental approval documents
Demonstrates compliance with SMM.

Chapter 3.0 – Consultation
Provides a summary of consultation strategy and process undertaken to date.

Chapter 4.0 – Contextual Analysis
Provides a brief contextual analysis of the project context, with particular focus on urban design and landscape related issues.

Chapter 5.0 – New Batemans Bay Bridge
Chapter 6.0 – Retaining walls
Chapter 7.0 – Landscape design
Chapter 8.0 – Foreshore works
Chapter 9.0 – Artwork strategy
Chapter 10.0 – Conclusion
1.4 Guideline documents

Key guideline documents include:

- **Beyond the Pavement - urban design policy procedures and design principles**, Roads and Maritime Services, January 2014
- **Bridge Aesthetics - design guidelines to improve the appearance of bridges in NSW**, Roads and Maritime Services, July 2012
- **Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement Environmental Impact Statement**, Roads and Maritime Services, November 2017
- **Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement Review of Environmental Factors**, Roads and Maritime Services, November 2017
- **Infrastructure Design Standard**, Eurobodalla Shire Council
- **Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement Urban Design Report and Landscape Character Visual Impact Assessment**, Ki Studio, October 2017
- **Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment**, Aurecon on behalf of Roads and Maritime Services, October 2017
- **Batemans Bay Town Centre Structure Plan**, Eurobodalla Shire Council, 2008
- **Landscape Guideline**, Roads and Maritime Services, April 2008
- **Guideline for Batten Surface Stabilisation Using Vegetation**, Roads and Maritime Services, April 2015
- **Biodiversity Guidelines - protecting and managing biodiversity on RTA projects**, September 2011
- **Shotcrete Design Guidelines - design guideline to improve the appearance of shotcrete in NSW**, Roads and Maritime Services, 2016
- **Designing to Minimise Vandalism - an investigation into planning and design measures to avoid or mitigate vandalism (final draft)**, RTA, November 2008
- **Soil Landscapes of Sydney**, Soil Conservation Service of NSW, 1999
- **Environmental Friendly Seawalls**, Office of Environment and Heritage, 2009

We have also collaborated with artist Chris Fox to explore potential urban public art opportunities, which can be used as potential urban design features, providing an integrated artwork, urban design and engineering approach to the project. This process are subject to consultation with stakeholders and community. Refer to Section 9.0.

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2.0 Compliance with environmental approval documents

2.1 Compliance with environmental approval documents - Summary of Safeguards and Management Measures (SMM)

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3.0 Consultation

3.1 Community consultation strategy

A robust and sustainable consultation strategy is established as part of the project, and is documented in the Community Involvement Plan. This plan ensures appropriate levels of consultation with key stakeholders and the community to manage expectations and minimise risk as the project is carried forward.

Key stakeholders include:

- Foreshore Advisory Committee (FAC)
- Department of Fisheries

The consultation process is divided into two components:

- Consultation with key stakeholders
- Consultation with the community

The FAC is a major advisory committee, and is established to provide recommendations to Roads and Maritime, and the project team, as part of the detailed design process. It includes expert members from various communities from the local area, including the Council, local businesses, art/historical society members, river user groups, aboriginal representatives and Crown Land representatives.

The key objective of the FAC is to establish community values and create a common vision for the Batemans Bay foreshore that considers the differing needs of the various stakeholders. The current urban design for the project will be presented to the FAC and any feedback received will be addressed to ensure the common vision is achieved for the project.

Consultation with fisheries will be undertaken by submitting the UDLP and any feedback from them will be addressed appropriately.

Consultation with the community will be undertaken through community display sessions. Any feedback received from the community display sessions will be included in a submissions responses schedule, which will address the community comments.

The following program are prepared at the time of writing this report:

- Phase 1 – FAC meetings between October to December 2018
- Phase 2 – FAC meetings between February to March 2019
- Public display of foreshore design – March to April 2019

Summary of Community and stakeholder responses will be included as appendices in the UDLP when they become available.

The project is in its final phase of consultation and feedback from the FAC and finalisation of the design.
## 4.0 Contextual analysis

### 4.1 Project overview

Roads and Maritime propose to replace the existing bridge over the Clyde River (referred to as Batemans Bay Bridge in this report) by constructing a new, dual carriageway bridge, to the west of the existing (referred to as the new Batemans Bay Bridge in this report).

Main elements of the project include:

- Construction of a new bridge to the west of the existing Batemans Bay Bridge
- New parking and community facilities along the northern and southern foreshores
- Public domain improvements on the northern and southern foreshores, including providing reinstatement of the existing T-wharf at the southern foreshore
- Site rehabilitation and landscaping improvements
- Decommission and removal of the existing bridge.

Potential benefits include:

- Improving freight access by allowing larger vehicles of up to 26 metres to cross the Clyde River
- Improving traffic movement at Kings and Princes Highway intersection
- Avoiding the ongoing maintenance costs of the existing bridge
- Provisions for public domain improvements on the northern and southern foreshore
- Opening up recreational and commercial opportunities.

### 4.2 Contextual analysis

#### 4.2.1 Regional context

Batemans Bay lies within Eurobodalla Shire and it is the largest township on the coast south of Nowra. It is defined by the beautiful, expansive waterways of the Clyde River as it meets the South Pacific Ocean, forming a gateway to the Eurobodalla region beyond.

The township is located along the Princes Highway about 280 kilometres from Sydney, 760 kilometres from Melbourne and about 151 kilometres from Canberra. Other townships in the region include Moruya, Bodalla, Tuross Head, Mogo and Nelligen.

While tourism is Batemans Bay’s main industry, many other industries, such as fishing, forestry, and oyster farming are also well established in the area.

#### Regional river crossings

The user experience of crossing the river on the bridge is widely recognised as a memorable aspect of the journey along the Princes Highway whilst travelling along the south coast between Sydney and the New South Wales (NSW) border.

There are a number of river crossings along the South Coast of NSW from Sydney to Moruya identified as follows:

- Captain Cook Bridge, Georges River
- Nowra Bridge, Shoalhaven River
- Burrill Lake Bridge, Burrill Lake
- Princes Highway Bridge over Tabourie Creek, Tabourie Creek
- Batemans Bay Bridge, Clyde River
- Princes Highway Bridge over Moruya River, Moruya River.
4.2.2 Local context

The township of Batemans Bay is strongly defined by its riverside setting and undulating hills. The area is known for its coastal beauty and is a major tourist destination, particularly for tourists travelling from Canberra and Sydney, with a spectacular combination of a picturesque coastline, pristine waterways and lush forest mountains.

Batemans Bay has a population of over 11,000 and is the main commercial and regional centre of the Eurobodalla Local Government Area (LGA). Significant planning for current and future development is underway, which is likely to lead to growth in population and traffic. This will have a significant impact on the current roads and other infrastructure at Batemans Bay, such as the bridge.

**Batemans Bay Bridge**

The Batemans Bay Bridge lies just to the north of the town over the Clyde River on the HW1 Princess Highway. It is located within the urban area of Batemans Bay Township, the Clyde River estuary and its surrounding unspoilt natural environment.

It is the primary north-south coastal transport corridor for vehicles, pedestrians and cyclists and, as the central element of the area, connects the commercial/industrial areas south of the river to the more dispersed residential areas of the north.

A variety of land forms and uses surround the bridge. Areas to the north are characterised by residential and holiday developments, while those to the south and coastal southeast comprise commercial, industrial and residential developments. The southwest is characterised by tidal wetlands and mangroves.

Both northern and southern foreshores serve as public recreational areas. Korners Park and the beach on the northern foreshore offers picnic and contemplation areas. The high cut on the northern approach frames the entry onto the bridge and the bay below. The ‘On the Pier’ restaurant with its outdoor deck offers the opportunity for people to enjoy panoramic views of the river.

The southern foreshore provides a promenade that extends for almost its full length, offering generous recreational areas and uninterrupted views towards the north. The promenade has been upgraded recently with shelters, providing community art which references World War I and II, local heritage, and amenities such as car parking facilities toilets and improved landscaping.

Figure 1-5: Local context map

Figure 1-6: Batemans Bay Masterplan Source: Workshop Architecture
Along with Batemans Bay’s picturesque coastline and pristine waterways, the Batemans Bay Bridge is a well known and loved local icon.

The existing bridge has a strong visual character and heritage significance derived from its distinct trusses and central lift span towers. It is 287 metres in length and comprised of 10 spans and carries two lanes of traffic for a width of 8.5 metres. It was constructed in 1956 to replace the ferry punt, and has a lift span which is used to accommodate larger commercial water traffic. It is listed on the Eurobodalla Local Environmental Plan 2012 and the Roads and Maritime Section 170 Heritage and Conservation Register as a locally significant item and also features on many ‘post card’ views of the area as it has come to symbolise the region.

The existing bridge serves as the main northern gateway to the township of Batemans Bay, marking the entry and providing an identity to the town and its coastal communities. However, many issues are associated with its use, including:
- No access for larger, heavy vehicles due to weight and height limitations
- Up to $1 million in annual maintenance costs
- Technical failures in operating the lift span, causing traffic delays
- Restricted access for large marine traffic due to the bridge’s clearance height when the lift span is down.

The project will provide an opportunity for the new Batemans Bay Bridge to create a new iconic landmark that also references the heritage significance of the existing bridge. It will also enhance the natural setting and re-establish the gateway identity to Batemans Bay. The new bridge will become a distinct marker along the coastal journey creating a new legacy and postcard image for Batemans Bay.
**Land use**
Batemans Bay is characterised by a combination of urban and natural environments. The analysis identifies major land uses along the corridor.

The southern foreshore is characterised by the town centre, and is predominantly mixed use with low density residential areas. The northern foreshore is predominantly low to medium density accommodation, with recreational areas along the shoreline.

**Design implications:**
- Capitalise on areas on the southern foreshore zoned for environmental conservation to introduce placemaking opportunities for the community
- Maximise the northern foreshore recreation areas by introducing activity generators, such as BBQ areas, contemplation areas, and improved boat ramp access
- Minimise impact to residential areas on the north

**Heritage**
The Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement – Aboriginal Cultural Heritage Assessment, October 2017 identified the Batemans Bay area as a region rich in natural resources that was once intensively used by the Aboriginal people. Though several archaeological sites are identified by the study, they are not impacted by the proposed works.

The Eurobodalla Local Environmental Plan, 2012 lists several heritage items that will be impacted by the proposed works.

These are:
- I294 – Existing Batemans Bay Bridge
- I167 – Former car ferry ramps.

Though none of these are of state heritage significance, careful consideration needs to be taken to minimise impacts or provide for preserving memory.

**Design implications:**
- Opportunity to reinstate the existing bridge’s heritage significance through artwork and placemaking opportunities
- Retain heritage ramps on the northern and southern foreshores.

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**Legend**
- Neighbourhood Centre
- Mixed Use
- Business Development
- Environmental Conservation
- Environmental Living
- Low Density Residential
- Medium Density Residential
- Large Lot Residential
- Public Recreation
- Private Recreation
- Private Production
- Infrastructure
- Tourist
- Natural Waterways
- Recreational Waterways
- Deferred Matter

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**Figure 1-15: Land use**
Source: Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement – Urban Design Report and Landscape Character and Visual Assessment

**Figure 1-16: Heritage**
Source: Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement – Urban Design Report and Landscape Character and Visual Assessment
Topography and views
The north is characterised by several high points and rugged topography, the high ground is separated from the foreshore by a steep escarpment.

In contrast, the south is relatively low in elevation with little variations in height and undulations.

Design implications:
- Opportunity to utilise the ridge on the northern foreshore as a visual catchment
- Maintain open views on the southern foreshore.

Connectivity
The Princes Highway is the main arterial road connecting the north and south sides of the town. Clyde Street and Beach Road are the two main local roads on the southern foreshore leading into the town centre, while on the northern foreshore Wharf Road provides the main access to the foreshore edge.

The township is generally served by three bus routes:
- 757 Batemans Bay to Maloney's
- 760 Batemans Bay to Moruya
- 761 Batemans Bay to Sunshine Bay.

There are also interstate and intrastate buses.

Design implications:
- Minimise impact on existing bus routes
- Maintain links to activity generators on the northern and southern foreshores.
Vegetation and open space
The north is predominantly characterised as bushland setting located on high ground. It is comprised of wet sclerophyll forest (grassy) with dense trees and areas of open grassland. It has limited framed views to the bay and river below.

The defining character of the south is the wetland, which forms part of the Clyde River estuary. It is an environmentally sensitive area, which include mangroves and salt marshes and Mcleods Creek.

Major open spaces include:
- Korners Park
- Mackay Park.

Design implications:
- Limit impact on environmentally sensitive vegetation types
- Minimise impact on existing vegetation
- Recognise the importance of the visual prominence of the bridge with the view shed of the river
- Minimise light spill into the waterway and vegetated areas.

Landscape character zones
The corridor is characterised by a series of distinct landscape character types, which contribute to the overall urban experience of the area.

The north is characterised by dense bushland setting with stands of mature trees and has limited or closed views towards the water. It is also developed with one to two storey family residences and commercial properties close to the foreshore.

The south is characterised by open vistas and panoramic views to both the foreshore and landscape beyond. It has been developed as the town centre with a retail strip along the southern foreshore.

Design implications:
- Retain open views from the bridge
- Strengthen the promenade connection on the southern foreshore
- Enhance existing landscape character.
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- Figure 1-26: View from Peninsular Drive looking northeast
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- Figure 1-29: View of former Batemans Bay Bowling Club from Vesper Street
- Figure 1-30: Batemans Bay Town Centre
- Figure 1-31: View from Orient Street looking northeast
- Figure 1-32: View of Batemans Bay from Holmes Lookout, Clyde River National Park
4.3 Clyde River crossing – journey through time

The first provision made for the crossing of the Clyde River was the establishment of a ferry-punt in 1871. This punt was later replaced by a steam ferry.

With the increase in traffic in the early forties and the reconstruction of Princes Highway between Ulladulla and Batemans Bay, there became a need to replace the ferry connection with a bridge along Princes Highway. This led to the construction of a 10 span lift span truss bridge in 1956, which allowed ferries and boats to pass under the bridge, and replaced the only remaining vehicular ferry on the Princes Highway between Sydney and the Victorian border.

The proposal to replace the lift span bridge with a new bridge provides an opportunity to create a new identity and legacy for Batemans Bay.

The new bridge, with its foreshore improvements, can be understood as a part of a larger narrative of crossing the Clyde River and is seen as a suitable replacement for the existing bridge, which is held in high esteem by locals who appreciate its importance to the town and coastal communities beyond.

The new bridge will provide improved connectivity between the foreshores, open up views through the estuary from the town to the ocean, and provide an opportunity to reference the past as it provides for the future.

The urban and landscape design concept illustrates the initiatives provided to experience this journey through time.
The punt

Figure 1-37: The vehicular ferry before construction of the Clyde River bridge

Figure 1-38: The punt

Figure 1-39: Batemans Bay punt

Figure 1-40: View from the north bank of the new bridge over the Clyde River with the vehicular ferry still in operation. (Nov 1956)

Construction of Batemans Bay Bridge

Figure 1-41: Clyde River from northern side looking south toward Batemans Bay. Showing falsework and piers in early stages of construction of new bridge. (26/5/1949)

Figure 1-42: Progress of construction of the bridge over the Clyde River at Batemans Bay looking south. (Feb 1953)

Figure 1-43: First span erected on the bridge over the Clyde River at Batemans Bay. (18/8/1955)

Figure 1-44: Showing the bridge nearing completion. It is constructed with light steel trusses on concrete piers and with a concrete deck. (Nov 1956)

The township

Figure 1-45: The main street in 1921

Figure 1-46: The bowling club in 1954

Figure 1-47: The punt next to the new bridge which opened in November 1956

Figure 1-48: The newly opened Soldiers Club
4.4 Urban design objectives and principles

Vision

To create a bridge that complements Batemans Bay, with its picturesque coastline and pristine waterways, and reinforces the identity of the town in the creation of a legacy for the community.

The elegant sculptural form of the bridge will provide a positive experience for drivers as well as the community by opening up new vistas from both the bridge and foreshores while respecting the heritage values and the character of the surrounding landscape.

Design approach

The team adopted the following design values, to achieve the objectives:

- Commitment to aesthetics
- Context sensitive design
- Contribution of sustainability to the aesthetic outcome
- Complementarity of cost and aesthetics
- Comprehensive design process
- Collaboration in the design team
- Consultation with community.

The design values include the recognition of:

- The need to balance urban outcomes with sound business case principles
- The importance of looking at the communities’ perspective in this important piece of connectivity between both sides of the Clyde River
- The importance of defining a bridge that sits well in the landscape and provides for intuitive wayfinding
- The importance of recognising community sensitivity, marine ecosystem sensitivity as well as the surrounding biota to lighting and light spill
- The importance of demonstrating the Eurobodalla LGA’s commitment to a sustainable future
- The importance of the heritage significance of the existing bridge
- The importance of working with Council’s and other stakeholders’ vision of the new bridge as a new gateway to Batemans Bay.

As part of the design process, the team has:

- Defined the issues and established good urban design principles and strategies, based on the guideline documents to present an integrated engineering and urban design outcome for the project
- Ensured that new infrastructure is seamlessly integrated into the existing environment and that impacts to the visual environment are mitigated, by providing a design solution that is sympathetic to the region’s built, natural and community values.
- Ensured that a simple, robust, elegant, and subtle, but iconic design is provided for the new bridge, which contributes positively to the riverscape and the user experience
- Ensured that existing water views from numerous vantage points are maintained and enhanced
- Ensured that a strong and sustainable consultation strategy has been established
- Developed a holistic urban and landscape design strategy which provide future opportunities for the community, including implementation of an artwork strategy and placemaking beyond the scope of this project.

Key urban design issues

- Character of the built, natural and social community of the immediate area and visual catchment of the proposed bridge
- Significant visual impact to and from the proposed works
- Impact on heritage significance of Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal heritage and cultural values of the surrounding area
- Impact on existing native and cultural vegetation, and habitat
- Clear pedestrian and roadway connections and integration with existing elements in the public domain, and crime prevention through environmental design (CPTED) issues
- Public consultation of informing proposed works
- Identification of types of existing and proposed landscapes, including signature landscape, screening landscape and integration landscape
- Impacts of overshadowing from various urban design elements on the surroundings
- Provisions for navigation
- Potential light spills on neighbouring communities
- Impact of levee works, if required, on the waterfront edge
- Maintaining the integrity and relationship of the river estuarial environment not only to the study area, but extended to reflect the relationship with the surrounding river estuarial character
- Impact on the recreational values of Clyde River
- Impact on properties as part of the upgrade works
- Sustainability and innovation in design.
The following is a list of key project specific urban design objectives as outlined in the Batemans Bay Bridge Replacement Review of Environmental Factors, Roads and Maritime Services, November 2017 (REF). These are applied during the design development process and will also guide further design refinement.

Based on the above objectives, principles and strategies, an urban and landscape coloured strategy plan is developed, which informs the detailed design concept for the project.

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<td>Create an arched form that relates to the topography and the bay</td>
<td>Maximise the forested character to the north</td>
<td>Capitalise on viewing opportunities</td>
<td>Explore opportunities to express the geology of the cutting</td>
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Design principles:
- Adopt best practice engineering, urban and landscape design solutions
- Minimise the visual impact of the new Batemans Bay Bridge on the environment
- Take a holistic approach to the urban and landscape design, considering all visual aspects of the project to ensure a completely integrated design solution.

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<td>Be an elegant bridge, with clean lines</td>
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<td>Enhance Batemans Bay accessibility</td>
<td>Integrate the new earth forms and improve foreshore visibility</td>
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Design principles:
- Maintain continuity and flowing lines in the development of bridge elements
- Minimise abrupt changes in material or surfaces in the resolution of design details.

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<td>- Provide a design solution that is consistent and integrated longitudinally with the overall context, while also incorporating elements of interest inspired by the unique qualities of the locality</td>
<td>- Retain existing vegetation, where possible</td>
<td>- Create an interesting and enjoyable journey with a design that allows for views of the bridge from both the bridge and surroundings</td>
<td>- Retain natural cutting on the northern foreshore, where possible.</td>
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<td>- Create an interesting and enjoyable journey with a strong identity through visual diversity.</td>
<td>- Identification of types of existing and proposed landscapes, including signature landscape, screening landscape and integration landscape</td>
<td>- Limit the number of piers to allow for greater visual permeability</td>
<td>- Enhance opportunities of proposed works to improve pedestrian and cyclist links</td>
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<td>- Reinforce the existing indigenous vegetation with re-vegetation of suitable species</td>
<td>- Minimise bulk and proportion of design elements</td>
<td>- Improve connectivity between the northern and southern foreshore</td>
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<td>- Consider the driver’s experience of the landscape along the length of the corridor</td>
<td>- Employ urban design strategies to create a public domain that enhances and frames views.</td>
<td>- Ensure crime prevention through CPTED principles are incorporated into the design to provide for safety</td>
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<td>- Reuse of site topsoil and allow natural regeneration, where possible</td>
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<td>- Reinstate riparian buffer zone along the foreshore.</td>
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Figure 1-49: Urban design strategies

Unlock placemaking opportunities

Strengthen connectivity
Celebrate views
Maintain clear thoroughfare along Clyde Street
Maintain clear thoroughfare from Wharf Rd to Old Punt Rd
Maximise waterfront edge for the community

Reinstate heritage abutments as an interpretation opportunity
Reinstate foreshore activation areas for lookouts, contemplation and recreation
Create opportunities for placemaking

Landscape shown is indicative
4.5 CPTED principles

CPTED is a crime prevention strategy that focuses on the planning, design and structure of places. This strategy is based on the principle of reducing opportunities for crime by using appropriate design and place management principles that make it easier for the public and law enforcement entities to navigate and understand the spaces they occupy and discourage offenders from seeing these same places as opportunities for crime and anti-social behaviour.

CPTED seeks to influence the design of buildings and places by:

- Increasing the perception of risk to criminals by increasing the possibility of detection, challenge and capture
- Increasing the effort required to commit crime by increasing the time, energy or resources which need to be expended
- Reducing the potential rewards of crime by minimising, removing or concealing ‘crime benefits’
- Removing conditions that create confusion about required norms of behaviour.

There are four principles that need to be used in the assessment of development applications to minimise the opportunity for crime:

- Surveillance
- Access control
- Territorial reinforcement
- Space management.

These principles are identified in the Crime Prevention and the Assessment of Development Applications Guidelines under Section 79C of the Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979 issued by the (former) Department of Urban Affairs and Planning.

Application

Specific areas of the project where CPTED is most relevant are the areas where pedestrians and cyclists have access to the project corridor. The main focus for the CPTED review of the project is to ensure all proposed pedestrian and cyclist connections tie into the existing network along the corridor and have clear sightlines.

Key strategies employed in the design and their application include:

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<td>Align new elements, where possible, with existing elements to reduce potential for hidden pockets of space to be created</td>
<td>The alignment of the new shared paths and footpaths on the bridge and foreshore are designed to be simple, elegant and legible and align seamlessly with the existing elements. Kinks, corner pockets or any abrupt starts or terminations are avoided.</td>
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<td>Maintain continuity of all pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths to avoid ‘dead ends’</td>
<td>The proposed pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths are designed to provide a continuous connection between bridge, the southern and northern foreshores and integrate with existing local pedestrian and cycleway network.</td>
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<td>Provide sufficient visual distance at changes in directions of pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths to avoid accidental contact with other users</td>
<td>The proposed pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths are designed to provide sufficient visual distances at changes in directions. The changes in directions are designed to have smooth transitions and adequate sightline distances to avoid accidental contact with other users.</td>
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<td>Maintain lighting levels</td>
<td>The bridge and the foreshore design allow for adequate lighting in areas that will be accessed by people. Additional lighting are allowed in high activity areas which are used for recreational purposes, such as the BBQ areas, shelters, playgrounds etc., to allow for their use at night time.</td>
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<td>Maintain clear sight lines when vegetation is planted along pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths</td>
<td>Clear sight lines are considered when planting vegetation along pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths, particularly in areas where there is a change or direction, at approaches to special areas, change in differing spatial conditions, such as foreshores and bridge approaches, etc.</td>
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<td>Ensure safety of the pedestrian, cyclist and shared path users is maintained through active and passive measures in design</td>
<td>The proposed pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths are designed to creating placemaking opportunities. Active measures in design, include the provision for recreational activities (playground, BBQ, etc). Passive measure in design include the provision for adequate lighting in the public domain, provision for bollards for safety against potential clash of vehicles with pedestrians, provision of other public domain furniture, such as seats, potential public art elements, opportunities for interpretation of history of the place, viewing platforms, variation in material changes to demarcate between directional and other areas, integration of pathways with basins, etc.</td>
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<td>Maintain, where possible, sightlines that connect streets across the corridor</td>
<td>The proposed pedestrian, cyclist and shared paths are designed to maintain sightlines where streets connect across the corridor, by providing for a continuous and seamless connection through pedestrian crossings, traffic lights and other measures. These are at Clyde Street in the southern foreshore and Wharf Road and Old Punt Road in the northern foreshore.</td>
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Figure 1-50: Key principles
4.6 Urban design concept plan

The urban design for the project is developed through an iterative process, working closely with engineers, community, consultants, artist representatives and other government agencies through a series of design workshops to develop a common vision for the project.

The urban design for the project is built upon the user experience through movement and time by individuals using the space, which is perceived in four ways:

- Driver experience – along the roadway, one that is of a fast and direct movement at regional scale
- Pedestrian/cyclist experience – meandering through the residential, commercial and industrial precincts along the corridor, at local scale, perceived as individual elements in varied landscape
- River experience – at local scale but experienced from marine traffic
- Riverbank experience – at local scale experienced from the river banks

The urban design provides opportunities to enhance the above user experiences. They comprise of two main components:

- The bridge design
- The foreshore works design (north and south).

Based on the objectives, principles and strategies developed for the project, the urban and landscape design has endeavoured to achieve the following main initiatives:

- Provide an elegant design for the bridge that enhances the user experience and is integrated with other project elements to fit sensitively in the natural setting, and by respecting the identity of the existing bridge becomes the new icon and legacy for Batemans Bay
- Provide opportunities to reflect the heritage values of the project including the evolving narrative of the river crossing from a punt crossing, to the lift span crossing, to the new raised crossing
- Provide opportunities for the development of the foreshores, including the provision of additional parking, increased amenity and recreational zones,
- Enhance connectivity between communities on either side of the bridge
- Highlight opportunities that can be undertaken as part of future projects, in close consultation with key stakeholders and the community.

Key design outcomes include:

- Improved vehicular, cyclist and accessible pedestrian connectivity across the Clyde River, the foreshores and the surrounding townships and communities
- Reinforcement of the landscape setting to ensure that the proposed bridge is fully integrated into the local environment
- An integrated outcome for all urban design elements including water quality basins, stairs and decks that provide opportunities for placemaking and recreational functions
- Provision of increased amenities, such as picnic shelters, BBQ areas, toilet blocks, and contemplation areas
- Optimisation of open space to provide additional buffer landscape
- Provision of potential parkland space to offset the exiting parkland space impacted as part of the upgraded works
- Enhancement of the Mcleods Creek’s riparian corridor where it is within project boundaries
- Landscape treatments and batter rounding in large cuts to integrate seamlessly with the surrounding environment
- Minimise the removal of existing vegetation
- Provision of feature urban design elements, with the potential use of public art as a medium for generating references points and identity markers in the public domain, to strengthen the user experience.
Figure 1-52: Desire lines
5.0 New Batemans Bay Bridge

Vision
To create a bridge that complements Batemans Bay, with its picturesque coastline and pristine waterways, and reinforces the identity of the town in the creation of a legacy for the community. The elegant sculptural form of the bridge will provide a positive experience for drivers as well as the community by opening up new vistas from both the bridge and foreshore while respecting the heritage values and the character of the landscape.

5.1 Bridge design principles and strategies
The bridge design is based on the objectives and principles outlined in urban design guideline documents. The design is developed by working closely with the bridge and civil engineers as well as project managers to achieve a holistic urban design and engineering outcome.

Principles
The guiding principles in the development of bridge designs are:
- Provide seamless transitions for different bridge elements and materials
- Develop a modular appearance for balustrades, handrails and parapets
- Integrate support posts for bridge elements with the parapet profile
- Integrate lighting with the bridge structure.

Strategies
- Ensure that integration of proposed works with the existing is as seamless as possible
- Provide suitable sight lines, generous height and width
- Provide safe and vandal-resistant lighting
- Provide vandal-resistant/durable materials
- Maintain and enhance views.

5.2 Bridge alignment
As part of the design process, the reference design, along with a number of other alignment options, are investigated.

The horizontal alignment proposed by the team for the new Batemans Bay Bridge are carefully developed to ensure that it provides the best outcome for a positive user experience whilst minimising the impact and disturbance to the existing environment caused by construction works. This is achieved by using a combination of a straight and a curved configurations between abutments allowing for varied views and vistas to be experienced with the changing direction as one traverses in the southbound or northbound direction.

The straight alignment at the northern abutment is governed by space constraints; proximity to the On The Pier Restaurant and potential loss of sensitive vegetation. The curved alignment at the southern abutment is governed by the curved alignment of the existing bridge, which forms an entry gateway to the township.

The combination of the straight and curved alignment is aesthetically suited to its setting, which complements the natural geometries of the river and landforms. It is a distinct experience compared to other river crossings while travelling from Sydney down the south coast and will therefore, become an iconic element, providing a new identity to the bridge and the township of Batemans Bay.

5.3 Deck geometry and soffit
The deck geometry includes the provision for two carriageways in each direction, and a 3 metre wide accessible shared path along the eastern side of the southbound carriageway. This geometry is configured to minimise its width, whilst accommodating save clearance vehicular envelopes.

The superstructure is arranged symmetrically with the substructure, which will reduce constructability issues. The deck has a consistent width of about 20.3 metres with a super-elevation, which allows for a smooth transition with the road works beyond the bridge. The deck soffit is formed by the shapes of the segmental girder, which are deeper in the middle and thinner at the ends, and follow the super-elevation at each segment. The elevated and curved geometry in the vertical alignment of the bridge provides a dramatic effect and contributes towards the positive user experience of the bridge.

5.4 Superstructure
The bridge superstructure comprises a balanced cantilevered segmental precast concrete box girder. It is constructed by adopting a match cast method and is supported by piers with six spans across the Clyde River. The spans are equally spaced at about 78 metres wide in the mid spans and about 56 metres at the end spans. The profile of the box girder is a combination of a tapered and a rectangular section.

The tapered section is about 5.7 metres deep, the rectangular section is about 4 metres deep to accommodate for the arched profile at the piers. This combination of the tapered and the rectangular profiles arranged in a parabolic arch, when seen in elevation creates a clean, elegant, interesting, subtle but iconic aesthetic to the bridge.
Figure 5-1: Aerial view of the new Batemans Bay Bridge

Artist impression
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Figure 5-2: View of new Batemans Bay Bridge from Holmes Lookout, Clyde River National Park

Artist impression

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Figure 5-3: Bridge key plan

BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT – BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER

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BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT – BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER
Figure 5-7: Bridge pier detail

BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT– BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER

1. PIER SEGMENT SECTION
   SCALE 1:200

2. MIDSPAN SEGMENT SECTION
   SCALE 1:200

3. PIER - SIDE ELEVATION
   SCALE 1:200

4. PIER SECTION A-A
   SCALE 1:200

5. PIER SECTION B-B
   SCALE 1:200

LEGEND:
- 01. SEGMENTAL CONCRETE BOX GIRDER
- 02. CONCRETE PIER
- 03. CONCRETE PILE CAP (INDICATIVE)
- 04. PARAPET
- 05. PERFORMANCE BARRIER
- 06. RETAINING WALL (PROPOSED)
- 07. CONCRETE TEXTURE PANELS
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- 17. FINISHED SURFACE LEVEL (INDICATIVE)
- 18. EXISTING SURFACE LEVEL (INDICATIVE)
- 19. STEEL POST
5.5 Substructure

The substructure comprises of the piers, piles and pile caps. The piers are the most visible component of the bridge. Although configured as individual elements, it is important that the piers are seen as a group to achieve a well-proportioned structure that is integrated with the overall composition of the bridge.

Bridge pier

The pier shapes adopt a hollow tapered "Y" shape profile, with a flat ridge at the bottom to maximise the pier opening and allow for easy draining.

This shape is considered best suited for the balanced cantilever method of construction and meets the program. The piers also have a tapered profile in plan, widest in the middle, with chamfered edges. Architectural grooves are provided in both directions, with potential to accommodate feature lighting in the grooves. These architectural treatments provide a lighter aesthetic to the piers and help to reduce their visual bulk and mass.

Based on further design studies and coordination with the team, the hollow tapered "Y" shape profile is further refined, by using the shortest pier (Pier 5) as a guide, the "Y" shape remains uniform throughout each pier to provide visual consistency and enhance the overall aesthetic of the bridge.

Pier 5 is also further refined by elevating the top of the apex and introducing an extra in-situ piece to reduce the visual stubbiness of the pier.

Pile caps

The pile caps are intended to complement the shape of the piers, they are reduced in size, slender and have rounded edges to reduce their bulk while maintaining their structural integrity.
Figure 5-9: Existing view from southern foreshore looking north
Figure 5.10: View from southern foreshore

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5.6 Bridge abutments

The bridge abutments, located at the northern and southern foreshores are major visual elements experienced mostly by the users of the public domain at the foreshores. The bridge abutments have varied profiles due to the heights of the bridge at the different locations. The northern abutment are lower than the southern abutment, as the bridge is higher at the southern abutment.

The abutment at the northern end (Abutment A) is a cast in-situ retaining wall located in front, which retains the fill at the abutment and returns at each end. The abutment at the southern end wrap around the abutment and extend on both sides of the abutment (Abutment B). They are highly visible from the neighbourhood and the southern foreshore. The abutment face is vertical to ground along the eastern and western sides and leans back at 1:40 long in section through the bridge to minimise visual impact to Clyde Street. They are constructed using a cast in-situ system.

Maintenance access

The rear of the northern abutment include maintenance steps to provide access to the maintenance bench in front of the abutment. The southern abutment has a maintenance path in front of the abutment with tubular handrail for fall prevention. A heavy duty, secured access doorway is provided at each abutment, to allow access into the structure to carry out inspections and maintenance works.

Abutment finishes

Abutment finishes differ between the north and south. The southern abutment structure will be finished with cast in-situ textured concrete panels to reduce their bulk and scale, the same texture is also extended to retaining walls on both sides. The overall effect is to create a consistent visual appearance and to reduce the overall visual mass.

The northern abutment, being a cast in-situ retaining wall will have a natural concrete finish, the selection of a more simple treatment is to create a blank canvas for the potential integration of artwork, which will be further developed with local artist(s) and the community.

Please refer to Chapter 6.0 for details.
Figure 5-14: Abutment B detail
5.7 Bridge parapet
The bridge parapets consist of concrete segments connected to the bridge deck and extend along the full length of the bridge. Due to different end conditions at each side, their depths vary, but are consistent in depth along the full length of one side.

The parapets on the road side are integrated with the performance barrier, which have the twin rails above them. The parapets on the shared path side are integrated with the handrail and balustrade located above them. The handrail features a signature tapered post, which is formed in the shape of the old bridge’s steel pylons, to provide a historical reference.

They consist of two steel hollow flats which encompass the supports for the handrail and the cyclist rails above. The balustrades also follow the tapered angle of the post and are arranged in a staggered configuration in plan, to maximise views in the direction of travel. The cyclist rail is proposed to be in marine grade stainless steel. The drainage pipes are located away from the parapets on the inward side under the southbound carriageways. The shared path zone is drained by using scuppers at the end of the deck in cross section. The bridge parapets extend beyond the drainage elements and will therefore conceal them.

5.8 Bridge shared path handrail
The bridge shared path handrail is an important visual element and an opportunity to incorporate elements of the existing Batemans Bay Bridge into the new design.

The guiding principles in the design of the handrails is as follows:

- Reference aspects of the existing bridge through the design of the posts
- Integrated with other bridge elements
- Contribute to the overall bridge aesthetic
- Meets both urban design, engineering and safety requirements
- The arrangement of the balustrade responds to the curve of the bridge.
Figure 5-15: Handrail and parapet detail
5.9 Bridge user experience

The bridge is designed to provide an interesting and enriching experience from various vantage points and scales of movement. Users of the bridge will experience panoramic, uninterrupted and elevated views over the Clyde River, creating a memorable journey.

The experience from the river – from the river one approaches the bridge at a slow speed and takes in the view of the expanse of the crossing. The subtle curve and wide arched spans open up views that were previously closed allowing a stronger connection between Batemans Bay and the ocean. The pier design, with its tapered elements and ‘V’ shaped opening provides a lightness to the structure and gives the feeling that the bridge deck is floating above water.

The experience from the Road – from the road the bridge reinforces the gateway to Batemans Bay as it sweeps across the estuary and enters the town. The slight superelevation and subtle curve of the bridge provides views of the bridge beyond to drivers making the crossing. As the bridge reveals itself, it reveals new views on the landscape and estuary and the journey across the bridge, framed by the views of this open area becomes a new part of the iconic narrative of Batemans Bay.

The experience from the shared path – from the shared path the bridge is experienced at a slower pace and both its large scale and attention to detail can be appreciated. Moving along the railing one can experience the scale of the sweep of the bridge, take in new elevated views of the estuary and observe the subtle detailing of the railing and appreciate its references to the design of the existing bridge and the memory of that iconic part of the history of Batemans Bay.

The new Batemans Bay Bridge will provide a new layer to the narrative of crossing the Clyde, makes reference to the old and allow drivers, pedestrians and the public to participate in the creation of new set memories at the centre of their community.

Key bridge design features include:

- A clean, elegant, subtle but iconic bridge design
- A balanced cantilever arched structure, with maximised spans to maintain and enhance views to the water
- Navigation clearance located appropriately in the centre of the alignment with the highest clearance
- Superstructure comprising a segmental box girder constructed with the match casting method
- A structural section featuring a consistent module to upper box and arched sections proportionately varied as required
- A well-proportioned ‘Y’ shaped pier with ‘V’ shaped openings with a consistent profile from the shortest to the longest pier
- Articulation of piers with grooves and chamfers to reduce its bulk
- Provision for feature lighting
- Maintaining a slender proportion that ties in with the overall components of the bridge
- A minimum number of piers with maximum spans
- A handrail design to reference the old pylon shape
- Provision for road lighting on the western side of the bridge and conduits provided for feature lighting to be accommodated.
Figure 5-16: Existing – view from the end of Old Punt Road, from the carpark near the heritage ramp.
Artist impression

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Figure 5-17: Proposed – view from the end of Old Flunt Road, from the carpark near the heritage ramp.
Figure 5-18: Existing – Clyde Street (south of the Princes Highway) looking north towards the existing carpark
Figure 5.19: Proposed – Clyde Street (south of the Princes Highway) looking north towards the existing carpark displaying the southern abutment of the new Batemans Bay Bridge.

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Figure 5-20: Existing – the beach in front of the park on the north-east foreshore looking north
Figure 5-21: Proposed – the beach in front of the park on the north-east foreshore looking north displaying the northern abutment of the new Batemans Bay Bridge

Artist impression
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Figure 5-22: Existing – the Batemans Bay promenade looking north.
Figure 5-23: Proposed – the Batemans Bay promenade looking north towards the new Batemans Bay Bridge

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6.0 Retaining wall structures

6.1 Retaining wall design principles and strategies

Guiding principles in the development of designs for retaining walls are to:

- Minimise the physical and visual intrusion of retaining structures on the surrounding context
- Minimise the disturbance of existing flora, particularly significant tree stands
- Create a family of similar textures that can be applied to various materials to maintain consistency across the project
- Provide measures to break the bulk and scale of the retaining structures, particularly when facing the neighbourhood side
- Use retaining wall types to respond to local conditions
- Provide a continuous smooth profile for the walls
- Coordinate joints with patterning dimensions.

Location of retaining walls and their visual prominence within the urban context plays an important factor on the retaining wall design. The design strategy for retaining wall structures is based on the following strategies:

- Ensure applied finishes to retaining structures are appropriate to their context
- Ensure design detailing of applied finishes to retaining walls is a refined enhancement
- Integrate landscape design to provide some softness and reduce visual impact
- Provide textures and patterns to reduce the bulk, scale and visual impact of the large retaining structures
- Ensure detailing is of the highest standard.

Figure 6-1: Retaining wall finish at southern abutment
Figure 6-2: Retaining wall key plan

**RETAINING WALL - KEY PLAN**

**SCALE 1:2500**

**LEGEND**

- Project Boundary
- Local Road Boundary
- Proposed Retaining Wall

Figure 6-2: Retaining wall key plan
6.2 Southern retaining wall design concept

The southern retaining wall (RW5) is located along the eastern side of southern abutment of the New Bridge over Clyde River. It is about 60 metres in length and reaches a maximum height of about 7.5 metres. RW6 is located along the western side of southern abutment, it is about 78 metres in length and reaches a maximum height of about 8 metres.

Design of RW5 and RW6 takes into consideration their visual and proximity to surroundings such as the existing Batemans Bay Bridge, row of motels on upper Clyde Street and its visual impact on Clyde Street. The design introduces a decorative treatment to the wall with texture to provide visual relief, is domestic in scale and breaks down the bulk and size of the wall.

Key design features include:

• A design that is developed as a simple, robust and integrated series of elements
• Articulation of the wall through patterns, creating an interesting façade
• Use of neutral colours with non-reflective finishes, making the wall recessive in the environment
• An incline to the vertical surface away from the footpath (as seen in long section through bridge) to minimise visual impact on Clyde Street and desire lines
• A horizontal emphasis to the appearance of the retaining wall, with the incorporation of a linear pattern finish at two varying scales to provide visual interest.
• The treatment wraps around the southern abutment face to provide a continuous finish
• Landscape is integrated with the wall by maximising the landscape buffer between the wall and the accessible ramp
• Pattern and textures articulated in scale and proportion to deter graffiti.

A shorter retaining wall (RW8) is also located on the south, in front of RW5. It is required to provide safe batter slope and forms part of the concrete channel. Due to its relatively small scale it will have a natural concrete finish.

Figure 6-3: Southern retaining wall key plan
Accessible ramp and stairs

An accessible ramp and stairs are also located at the southern abutment. The ramp and stairs connects users from Clyde Street to the shared user path (SUP) on the bridge. The stairs is a cantilevered structure attached to RW5, while the accessible ramp is supported on ground.

RW8 is located on the eastern side of the southern foreshore. The wall is approximately 1.5 metres high.

Key design features include:

- The ramp and stairs complies with AS 1428.1
- Satisfies desire lines and is integrated with new and existing shared paths and footpaths
- Articulation of RW8 is similar to RW5, with textured concrete panels to tie the two elements together
- Planting on the batters in term of accent planting to provide visual relief and CPTED measures.
Figure 6.5: Southern retaining wall elevation

LEGEND

1. SEGMENTAL CONCRETE BOX GRIDER
2. CONCRETE PIER
3. CONCRETE PILE CAP (INDICATIVE)
4. PARAPET

5. PERFORMANCE BARRIER
6. RETAINING WALL (PROPOSED)
7. CONCRETE TEXTURE PANELS
8. ROCK TERRACING

9. CYCLIST RAIL
10. HANDRAIL
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12. ROAD LIGHTING (INDICATIVE)

13. DRAINAGE
14. BALUSTRADE
15. ARCHITECTURAL GROOVES
16. SHARED PATH

17. FINISHED SURFACE LEVEL (INDICATIVE)
18. EXISTING SURFACE LEVEL (INDICATIVE)
19. STEEL POST

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Southern retaining texture

The southern retaining walls (RW5, RW6 and face of Abutment B) consist of two textures, both with a linear emphasis.

The texture consists of a strong horizontal rib pattern anchoring the base of the retaining wall, then transitions to a finer, horizontal rib pattern near the parapet. The textures are different enough to provide visual interest and reduce the overall bulk of the wall, yet remain in the same pattern family to provide visual cohesiveness.

The transition point between the two textures takes into consideration its relationship with the abutment face, and the location of the abutment shelf so that the texture can appear to wrap around the abutment face seamlessly.
Figure 6-8: Southern retaining wall view from shared path

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Figure 6-9: Southern retaining wall view from Clyde Street

Artist impression
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Figure 6.10: Existing – view looking north on Clyde Street
Figure 6-11: Proposed – view looking north on Clyde Street

Artist impression
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6.3 Retaining wall north

The northern retaining walls are soil nail walls with precast fascia panels. RW1 and RW2 are both located on the northern cutting. RW1 is located near the northbound carriageway of the HW1 Princes Highway, and RW2 is located near the Caltex service station.

Key design features include:

- A design that is developed as a simple, robust and integrated with the retaining finishes on the southern abutment
- A vertical emphasis, with a 1:40 lean to the appearance of the retaining wall as these are facing the motorway
- Use of neutral colours with non-reflective finishes, making the wall recessive in the environment
- The concrete fascia panels are 180 millimetres thick with a vertical pattern finish
- Integration with other road elements such as barriers and handrails.

Another feature at the north is RW9, located in front of the northern abutment. This wall reaches a maximum height of about 7 metres over a length of about 54 metres, with returns at both ends that tapers down to the ground. This is a cast in-situ wall with a 1:40 lean similar to the southern abutment.
Northern retaining wall texture

The northern retaining walls consists of RW9, face of Abutment A and walls facing the motorway.

The northern abutment, being a cast in-situ retaining wall will have a natural concrete finish, the selection of a more simple treatment is to create a blank canvas for the potential integration of artwork, which will be further developed in consultation with local artist(s) and community.

RW1 and RW2 are both located on the northern cutting. They are soil nail walls with precast fascia panels with a maximum height of 1.75 metres and 2.75 metres respectively. Due to their proximity to the mainline carriageways, the pattern is also of a strong rib pattern similar to the south, however used vertically.
Figure 6-17: Northern retaining wall typical
7.0 Landscape design

7.1 Landscape design and implementation

The landscape strategy aims to respond to the context and character of the adjacent landscape through which it passes with re-vegetation of suitable species from the indigenous vegetation communities and cultural plantings associated with the Batemans bay riverside and promenade including Burrawangs, Spotted Gums, Water Gum, Swamp Oaks, Mangroves and wetland plants.

7.2 Landscape elements

The landscape design has been developed in accordance with Roads and Maritime’s Landscape Guideline, 2008 document and will involve Roads and Maritime’s urban and landscape design advisors throughout the design development process, and is consistent with the strategies outlined in the Environmental Assessment and the Scope of Works and technical requirements Appendix 15.

The design incorporates both the fundamental objectives of landscape design in road environments and the specific requirements of the scope as described below.

Table 1: Landscape strategies

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<td>Safe sight distances, signage and power lines are not obscured by planting and revegetation areas</td>
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<td>Setbacks are provided for structures, roadside furniture and pathways to enable clear access for maintenance and visual inspections when the landscape matures</td>
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<td>The layout has been optimised for maximum passive surveillance.</td>
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<td>Integration with local setting</td>
<td>Maximises the retention of existing trees to assist in visual mitigation, especially existing large trees</td>
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<td>Includes the planting of tall trees adjacent to the New Batemans Bay Bridge</td>
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<td>Water gum planting used as shade trees within car parking matches existing street tree planting in Clyde Street.</td>
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7.3 Revegetation

Revegetation across the project will be largely achieved through planting of containerised plant stock into prepared planting areas with selected native species. Seeding via compost blanket application will be used on the steep northern approach cut slope in combination with a specialised planting technique. All other planting establishment works will be undertaken in accordance with Roads and Maritime standard specifications, including:

- DCM 178 Vegetation
- DCM 179 Landscape Planting.

In locations where slopes are 2:1 or shallower, revegetation will be undertaken using direct planting, particularly in prominent locations. Endemic native species are used throughout the project. On 2:1 embankments, erosion control measures will be applied with the use of coir logs and organic fibre mat. Revegetation will be undertaken through direct planting of Forestry ‘Tubestock’ containers - 50mm x 150mm deep along with 150mm container size.

In some instances seeding would be more appropriate such as steep 1:5:1 embankments. Seeding schedules contain a mix of native trees, shrubs, grasses and groundcovers selected from the surrounding indigenous vegetation communities.

Where seeding occurs it may be applied by:

- Hydromulching;
- Hydroseeding with strawmulching;
- Compost blanket;
- a combination of the three methods.

100 litre container sizes will be used for trees planted in prominent locations and 25 litre container stock will be used where trees are planted in mixed copses.

A riparian zone with a minimum buffer of 20 metres has been introduced to the northern foreshore. Therefore, new roads and carparking facilities are located beyond this zone.
7.3.1 Topsoils
While there may be a small quantity of topsoil won from stripping operations, it is most likely that all topsoil used for planting will be from imported weed-free organic topsoil mixes.
Topsoil will be tested for compliance with the relevant Australian Standard AS4419 and for suitability for the intended location and ameliorated in accordance with the test result recommendations, prior to installation. In locations where compost blanket is used, no topsoil will be required.

7.3.2 Soil preparation
All work will be undertaken in accordance with Roads and Maritime standard specifications, including:

- All sub grades of areas to receive landscape treatments to be tested along with any site topsoil used in finished works
- Prior to placement of site topsoil in areas to be landscaped, eradicate weeds continuously so that the subgrades to receive topsoil are weed free
- The subgrade of all areas to be planted will be ripped and cultivated to a depth of 150 millimetres. Subgrades will also be tested for suitability to support plant growth and ameliorated in accordance with test results prior to installing topsoil. Topsoil depths include:
  - Hydromulched areas (where used): 50 millimetres
  - Turfed areas: 50 millimetres
  - General massed planting areas: 150 millimetres.

The stockpiled topsoil will be tested using a NATA accredited testing laboratory to ascertain its suitability for use in revegetation works. All topsoil re-used within landscape areas will be prepared in the following manner:

(i) a representative program of soil sampling of all soils to be used in landscape areas to address any soil deficiencies, including soil pH analysis, will be carried out during the preparation and development of the Design Documentation and the results of these tests, together with advice from the soil scientist, must be used to specify the requirements for soil improvement and stabilisation to enable the establishment and maintenance of successful long term seed and plant growth and vegetation cover
(ii) all soils will be ameliorated, conditioned or improved to comply with recommendations of the soil scientist
(iii) prior to the placement of topsoil, the Contractor will continuously eradicate weeds by spraying, and monitor the weed cover four (4) weeks after each spray. When the monitoring indicates that weed cover is reduced to less than five per cent, a final eradication spray will be carried out.
(iv) before use for vegetation subsoils will be ripped and surfaces roughened prior to spreading of topsoil. Topsoils will be screened or sorted to remove stumps, roots, clay lumps or stones greater than 50 millimetres in size.

A soil pedology survey and analysis must be undertaken within each vegetation community by the Contractor. Each vegetation community type will be tested. The vegetation communities include Spinifex Beach Strand Grassland, Grassy Woodland on Coastal Lowlands, Spotted Gum – Blackbutt Shrubby Open Forest and Swamp Oak Floodplain Forest. Soil testing must be undertaken by a National Association of Testing Authorities (NATA) registered laboratory. The test must include pH, salinity, cation exchange capacity, plant available phosphorus, total organic matter, total nitrogen and carbon/nitrogen.

7.3.3 Mulch
Site-won woodchip mulch and leaf litter supplemented with imported mulch will be used on all new planting areas on the project. Mulch will be spread to a depth of 75 millimetres to assist in weed suppression and erosion control and to prevent the soil drying out.

Discrete stockpiles will also be retained on site at selected locations to be used in topping up mulch areas during the landscape maintenance period.

7.3.4 Water quality control basins
There are two water quality control basins on the project.

The water quality control basins will be an asset to the visual and ecological amenity of the area as well as ensuring adjacent areas are not adversely affected by runoff during the construction and operational phases of the upgrade. The locations of water quality control basins are shown on the landscape concept plans on pages 71, 74, 79 and 81.

The basins will have an informal shape and will be graded to blend with existing adjoining landform. Fences will be required due to water depth, however these will be largely for wet basins hidden from view by perimeter planting.

The inner slopes of basins will be revegetated by planting with selected native sedge (macrophyte) species that occur in the Mcleods Creek wetland (to ensure that foreign species propagules cannot spread to the wetland). Planting will be located above and below the predicted average water level of the basin and from there it is anticipated that wetland plants will migrate into the water to their preferred depth.

The outer slopes of the basin will be supplemented with direct planting of containerised trees and shrubs at selected locations.

7.3.5 Water sensitive design and rain gardens
Car park surface runoff will fall to the landscape areas adjacent to car parks and be held for short periods within the ‘rain garden’ before draining to raised pit inlets. The rain garden planting in the Northern Foreshore carpark will remove suspended solids, rubbish and provide some nutrient uptake as well as provide additional passive irrigation to the planting. Flush kerbing will be used to allow stormwater to flow from pavement to garden.

In addition, a single pit within each rain garden will reduce the total quantity of pits required within the car parking areas.

Vegetated swales have been provided for storm water quality treatment in the carpark areas adjacent to Clyde Street and Wharf Road.

Figure 7-3: Edge planting in water quality control basin. Fencing is concealed within planting.

Figure 7-4: Rain garden.

Figure 7-5: Mangroves Culendulla Creek Batemans Bay
Southern basin landscape treatment

1. SOUTHERN FORESHORE BASIN - SECTION
   SCALE 1:500

   - NATIVE TUBESTOCK PLANTING - SWAMP OAK FLOODPLAIN FOREST
   - LOAMANDRA PLANTED ON THE OUTER EDGE OF BASKIN
   - MACROPHYTE PLANTING TO EDGE OF BASKIN
   - LOW NATIVE GRASS PLANTING ON CREST OF BASKIN
   - MAINTENANCE ACCESS PATH

2. SOUTHERN FORESHORE BASIN - LANDSCAPE CONCEPT PLAN
   SCALE 1:500

3. WATER QUALITY CONTROL BASIN - INDICATIVE DETAIL
   SCALE 1:200

   - MACROPHYTE TUBESTOCK PLANTING REFER TO PLANTING SCHEDULE
   - 300mm ROCK MATTRESS TO ENGINEERS DETAIL
   - GEOTEXTILE TO ENGINEERS DETAIL
   - PERMANENT WATER LEVEL
   - 100mm TOPSOIL FOR PLANT ESTABLISHMENT
   - SPILLWAY TO ENGINEERS DETAIL

   Edge planting in water quality control basin

- Southern basin landscape treatment
- Maintenance access path
- Mixed native tubestock planting - swamp oak floodplain forest
- Macrophyte planting
- Fence
- Temporary high water level basin invert
- Basin to engineer’s detail
- 300mm rock mattress to engineer’s detail
- Geotextile to engineer’s detail
- Spillway to engineer’s detail
- 100mm topsoil for plant establishment
- 300mm rock mattress to engineer’s detail
- Geotextile to engineer’s detail
- South eastern dry basin - indicative detail
- Scale 1:100 @ A3
- Water quality control basin - indicative detail
- Scale 1:200 @ A3
7.3.6 Protection and recovery of local biodiversity
Remnant areas of native vegetation including threatened species will be fenced-off during construction to prevent unauthorised access or accidental damage. The road corridor will be revegetated using species consistent with the vegetation communities that exist along the upgrade, increasing the level of biodiversity along the corridor. The following general measures will be taken to protect and assist the recovery of local biodiversity.

‘Best practice’ management of erosion and sediment discharges during the construction phase would be implemented to ensure there is no significant discharge of sediment into watercourses or vegetation communities downslope and downstream of the roadworks. A range of measures is to be implemented during construction, including the use of sift fences, sediment ponds and hay bales, and the covering and protection of exposed soil surfaces as rapidly as possible.

Table 2: Threatened Species Strategy

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<td>Conduct pre-clearing survey of native vegetation.</td>
<td>Undertake a survey, prior to final design, to locate the positions of threatened flora species within, or close to, the road footprint.</td>
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<td>Where possible and practicable, translocate threatened species to areas not affected by the road-works prior to the commencement of clearing.</td>
<td>Monitor and maintain threatened species following translocation.</td>
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<td>Protect threatened species retained within the road corridor during the construction period.</td>
<td>Manage construction activities to prevent the loss of existing vegetation. Install approved protective fencing around threatened species and EEC’s. Include a “buffer” zone of sufficient distance to mitigate loss. Avoid any stockpiling of materials, parking of vehicles, or other unnecessary disturbance beneath vegetation and trees to be retained. Manage construction activities to prevent discharge of waste or contaminants into existing vegetation. Eradicate existing weed growth and exotic plant species, through herbicide control of pasture grasses and physical removal of exotic trees and shrubs.</td>
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<td>Educate contractors on tree protection during construction.</td>
<td>No machinery or personnel is permitted outside the construction buffer without the approval of the Project Manager.</td>
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<td>Rehabilitation and regeneration programs for threatened vegetation communities in the vicinity of the route alignment to enhance the quality and quantity of these communities in the locality.</td>
<td>Provide rehabilitation and regeneration programs as appropriate.</td>
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7.4 Progressive installation
Landscape finishing works will be completed progressively throughout the duration of the project.
Typically, as cut and fill formations are completed, topsoil will be installed as soon as practicable to the formations. As topsoiling in individual areas is completed, they will either be:
1. Treated with hydromulching, hydroseeding with strawmulching, compost blanket or a combination of the three containing grass and shrub seed mixes, including annual cover crop species that will generate quickly to assist in stabilising the embankments and reduce erosion risk.
2. Mulched and planted with containerised plant stock. All topsoiling and revegetation work will be co-ordinated with the earthworks programme to suit the construction sequence and prevailing weather conditions.

7.5 Rehabilitation of temporary works
Temporary works that are constructed to enable construction of the upgrade will be progressively rehabilitated to the conditions present prior to construction of the temporary works. The process will include Environmental Assessment, consistency review and approval.

7.6 Planting and seeding
7.6.1 Seeding application
Where seeding is used it may be applied by hydromulching, hydroseeding with strawmulching, compost blanket or a combination of the three as follows:
Where hydromulch is specified it will comply with the Roads and Maritime’s Guideline for Batter Stabilisation – Fact Sheet 7: Hydromulching – Standard. Hydromulch comprises of organic fibrous materials mixed with water and sprayed onto the soil surface in slurry form. Hydromulched areas will require a topsoil depth of 50 millimetres.
Where hydroseeding is specified it will comply with the Roads and Maritime’s Guideline for Batter Stabilisation – Fact Sheet 5: Hydroseeding. Hydroseeding is a hydraulic application of seed and soil ameliorants.
Where compost blanket is specified it will comply with Roads and Maritime’s Guideline for Batter Stabilisation – Fact Sheet 13: Compost Blanket and must contain a minimum 8 kilogram per hectare of native seed as specified in the seed schedules. Compost blanket contains a growing media of compost and does not require topsoil or other growing media and can be applied directly over the prepared batter slope.
7.6.3 Old Punt Road landscape strategy

The landscape on Old Punt Road will comprise of plant species from the Spotted Gum - Blackbutt shrubby open forest.

Where planting is used on 2:1 slopes additional erosion control measures will be applied with the use of coir logs and organic fibre mat which will reduce the steepness of the batter, improve plant establishment and retain soil and mulch on slopes.

Planting will be from forestry ‘Tubestock’ containers - 50mm x 150mm deep along with 150mm container size.

Slopes between 2:1 and 1.5:1 will either be seeded or additional erosion control measures will be applied with the use of coir logs and organic fibre mat.
Figure 7-8: Northern foreshore - landscape concept plan 2 of 3

BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT– BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER

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BATEMANS BAY BRIDGE PROJECT – BRIDGE OVER CLYDE RIVER

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LEGEND

- PROJECT BOUNDARY
- RETAINING WALL
- EXISTING TREE TO BE RETAINED

NORTHERN FORESHORE - LANDSCAPE CONCEPT PLAN

SCALE 1:1000

0 10 20 30 40 50m

SCALE 1:1000@A3

Figure 7-9: Northern foreshore - landscape concept plan 3 of 3

SEEDING USING COMPOST BLANKET APPLICATION ON SOFT ROCK 1:1:5 SLOPE WITH SPECIES CHOSEN FROM GRASSY WOODLAND ON COASTAL LOWLANDS. CONSIDERATION OF SPECIALISED PLANTING TECHNIQUE SUBJECT TO DETAILED DESIGN.
Figure 7.16: Northern foreshore - landscape sections
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**Grassyland on Coastal Lowlands**

- **Trees**
  - *Angophora floribunda*
  - *Corymbia maculata*
  - *Eucalyptus pilularis*
  - *Melaleuca styphelioides*

- **Accent plant**
  - *Macrozamia communis*

- **Shrubs / Grasses / Groundcovers**
  - *Leptospernum polygalifolium*
  - *Dianella longifolia*
  - *Themeda australis*
  - *Prata purpurascens*

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**Maritime Grasslands - Spinefield Beach Strand Grassland**

- *Hibbertia serpyllifolia*
- *Carpobrotus glaucescens Westringia fruticosa*
- *Spinifex sericeus*
### Spotted Gum - Blackbutt Shrubby Open Forest

#### Trees
- Allocasuarina littoralis
- Corymbia maculata
- Eucalyptus pilularis
- Pittosporum undulatum

#### Shrubs / Grasses / Groundcovers
- Acacia longifolia
- Bursaria spinosa
- Hardenbergia violacea
- Lomandra longifolia

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**Figure 7.18:** Northern foreshore - plant schedule 2 of 3

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### Spotted Gum - Blackbutt Shrubby Open Forest

#### Trees
- Allocasuarina littoralis
- Casuarina glauca
- Elaeocarpus reticulatus

#### Shrubs / Grasses / Groundcovers
- Alpinia officinarum
- Bursaria spinosa
- Corymbia maculata
- Eucalyptus pilularis
- Elaeocarpus reticulatus
- Spotted Gum - Blackbutt Shrubby Open Forest

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- Spotted Gum - Blackbutt Shrubby Open Forest
Potential extension of promenade to north

Area for community markets or other pop ups and business events

Advanced tree planting - Melaleuca styphelioides

Reinstate old abutment as heritage interpretation opportunity

Potential space for artwork element

Advanced shade tree planting - Tristaniaopsis laurina

Paved area for display of community artwork

Mixed native tube stock planting - Swamp oak floodplain forest

Macrophyte planting to edge of basin

Advanced shade tree planting - Tristaniaopsis laurina with accent planting of Macrozamia's below

Planting - Swamp oak floodplain forest. On slopes 2:1 or steeper apply additional erosion control measures.
Figure 7.23: Southern foreshore - landscape section
### Southern Approach - Plant Schedule

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**Water Gum Euclea acuminata**

**Common Reed**

**Purple Fan-flower**

**Water Gum**

**Swamp Lily**

**Swamp Club-Sedge**

**Harsh Ground Fern**

**Tall Sedge**

**Bare Twig Rush**

**Purple Coral Pea**

**Black-fruit Saw Sedge**

**Common Rush**

**Knobby Club-Rush**

**Bare Twigrush**

**Common Couch**

**Purple Fan-flower**

**Hardenbergia violacea**

**Dianella caerulea**

**Dianella caerulea var.caerulea**

**Ficinia nodosa**

**Carex appressa**

**Baumea juncea**

**Macrozamia Communis**

**Swamp Oak Floodplain Forest**

**Alphitonia excelsa**

**Casuarina glauca**

**Cupaniopsis anacardoides**

**Melaleuca styphelioides**

**Callistemon salignus**

**Myoporum acuminatum**

**Lobelia anceps**

**Lomandra longifolia**

**Macrophyte planting**

**Baumea juncea**

**Carex appressa**

**Ficinia nodosa**

**Juncus usitatus**

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**Figure 7.24:** Southern foreshore - landscape plant schedule
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<th>Species</th>
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<td>Hibbertia scandens, Clematis asiatica, Pandorea pandorana</td>
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<td>Viola banksii, Hibbertia scandens</td>
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<td>Eucalyptus pilularis, Eucalyptus resinifera</td>
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<td>Doodia aspera, Blechnum nudum</td>
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7.6 Cuttings and embankments

Cuttings and embankments will be integrated into the existing landform to minimise their visual impact. This will be achieved where possible through rounding of the top of cut batters and fill embankments and the gradual transitioning of end slopes into the existing grade.

Seeding via compost blanket application will be used on the northern foreshore where slopes are steeper than 2:1. Consideration of a specialised planting technique will be subject to detailed design and pending identification of rock locations.

On slopes 2:1 or flatter, planting will be forestry ‘Tubestock’ containers - 50mm² x 150mm deep along with 150mm container size.

See planting and seeding schedules for species composition and application rates.

The opportunity for landscape treatment on the 2:1 northern batter is currently under investigation. The batter is currently shown on the drawing transitioning from 1.5:1 to 2:1.

Figure 7.25: Typical landscape cross section
Figure 7.26: Typical landscape cross section
### 7.7 Landscape management

#### 7.7.1 Landscape establishment and maintenance

A landscape maintenance plan will be prepared with the specification covering standards and methods for all the normal tasks required for landscape/horticultural maintenance. The scope of this work comprises:

- Weeding
- Pruning
- Mulching
- Fertilising
- Pest and disease control
- Replacement planting
- Mowing

The maintenance work begins at the time of occupation of the site and together with measures designed to protect the biodiversity of the corridor will be carried out over the duration of the construction works and maintenance period covered by the contract.

Particular attention will be given to the monitoring of planted areas within the first 18 months after planting. This is the most sensitive time for newly installed planting and compost blanket areas.

#### 7.7.2 Summary table of maintenance

The following table summarises the landscape maintenance actions/tasks required during the 36 months maintenance period, including their time frames and frequencies required under the Landscape Maintenance Plan.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Maintenance Actions</th>
<th>Tasks</th>
<th>Timeframes / Frequency</th>
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<td>Monthly</td>
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<td>All Areas</td>
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<td>1. Pruning of Vegetation for Safety</td>
<td>Maintaining driver and pedestrian sightlines</td>
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<td>Pruning trees over carriageways, roads, paths and cycle ways.</td>
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<td>2. Management of Non Frangible Vegetation</td>
<td>Remove “non-frangible” vegetation in setbacks</td>
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<td>3. Noxious Weed Control</td>
<td>Treat noxious weeds according to control category</td>
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<td>4. Rubbish Removal</td>
<td>All rubbish left by contractors to be removed. Site to be left in a clean and tidy condition.</td>
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<td>5. Auditing and Reporting</td>
<td>Audit and report on maintenance and additional works</td>
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<td>Grassed Areas (Mown) Only</td>
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<td>1. Mowing</td>
<td>Mow grass to a minimum height of 5cm / maximum height of 10cm</td>
<td>Every 4 weeks</td>
<td>Every 6 weeks</td>
<td>Every 12 weeks</td>
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<td>2. Replacement of Damaged Grass</td>
<td>Re-establish damaged turf.</td>
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<td>3. Weed Control in Grass</td>
<td>Control weeds in turf areas using selective biodegradable herbicides.</td>
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<td>4. Watering</td>
<td>Turf must not be allowed to dry out during the establishment period.</td>
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<td>Vegetation areas (Compost Blanket)</td>
<td>Instructions and application method</td>
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<td>1. Weeding</td>
<td>Use biodegradable herbicide only</td>
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<td>Weed garden beds (manual or biodegradable herbicides) before weed seed set.</td>
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<td>Replace landscape plants damaged or killed by herbicides.</td>
<td>Should this happen it suggests improper use. Review manufacturer instructions and application method.</td>
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<td>2. Herbicide Spraying</td>
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<td>3. Mulching</td>
<td>Every two years</td>
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<td>Re-apply mulch to individual Tubestock and maintain to a depth of 75 mm min.</td>
<td>Do not apply mulch in areas within water pores or ponds, creek lines and wetlands.</td>
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<td>4. Removal of Dead / Dying Plant Material</td>
<td>Remove dead or dying planting material and replace.</td>
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<td>5. Replacement Plantings</td>
<td>Within 28 days of detection</td>
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<td>Replace failed plantings with specified species and densities.</td>
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<td>6. Timber Stakes</td>
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<td>Check and repair timber stakes if damaged or removed before plant establishment.</td>
<td>As required until final removal at 12 months after planting.</td>
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<td>7. Fertilising and Pruning</td>
<td>At time of planting</td>
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<td>Fertilise all plantings at specified rates.</td>
<td>Refer “All Areas”, Point 1.</td>
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<td>Weed planting area (manual or biodegradable herbicides) before plant flowers.</td>
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<td>Herbicide application. After spraying top any dead weeds flush with the ground surface and dispose of cuttings.</td>
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<td>Replace landscape plants damaged or killed by herbicide.</td>
<td>Should this happen it suggests improper use. Review manufacturer instructions and application method.</td>
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### Landscape Bed Plantings Only

1. **Weeding**
   - Weed planting area (manual or biodegradable herbicide) before planting flowers.
   - Herbicide application. After spraying, top any dead weeds flush with the ground surface and dispose of cuttings.
   - Replace landscape plants damaged or killed by herbicide.
   - Should this happen, review manufacturer's instructions and application method.

2. **Disease and Insect Control**
   - Spraying must only occur on windless days and records of weed conditions must be retained. Sprays should not be used where there is risk of entering a watercourse or wind could cause drifting outside the area to be treated.

3. **Mulching**
   - Reapply mulch to maintain a depth of 75 mm min.

4. **Removal of Dead / Dying Planting Material**
   - Remove dead or dying planting material and replace.

5. **Replacement Plantings**
   - Replace failed plantings with specified species and densities.
   - Water replacement plantings for 12 weeks.

6. **Timber Stakes**
   - Check and repair timber stakes if damaged or removed prior to plant establishment.
   - Remove timber stakes.

7. **Fertilising and Pruning**
   - Fertilise all plantings at specified rates.
   - Prune all plantings in specified manner.

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### Areas of Special Consideration

- **Batter Revegetation Management Strategy**
- **Water Quality Ponds**
- **Threatened Species**
- **Flea Works**
- **Aquatic Zones**
8.0 Foreshore works

The foreshore areas are the zones along the river banks under the northern and southern approaches to the new Batemans Bay Bridge. Vehicular access to these areas is via the Princes Highway. Pedestrians and cyclists access to these areas from existing paths along the foreshore and from the shared path proposed on the eastern side of the bridge.

8.1 Northern foreshore

The northern foreshore is associated with the residential and recreational neighbourhoods located north of the bridge. It is accessed by vehicles through a slip lane off the Princes Highway southbound carriageway on to Wharf Road and then to a roundabout. This area contains upgraded parking facilities and amenities arranged to allow maximum community use of the foreshore edge. Pedestrian and cyclist access is via the shared path on the bridge.

Key design features include:

- Maintaining clear thoroughfare between Old Punt Road and Wharf Road
- Improved parking facilities with the provision of 39 car spaces, one accessible parking space, 13 car and trailer spaces and bicycle parking
- Improve pedestrian and vehicular access to On The Pier Restaurant, through the provision of an additional on-street parallel parking opposite the restaurant and improved shared path connections
- A basin with an integrated deck serves as a viewing platform, with potential seating and heritage interpretation
- Exit stairs from the bridge transitioning to the deck area and parking level, creating multiple opportunities for panoramic views of the river and the ocean improving the visual amenity of the foreshore
- Relocated community amenities such as picnic shelters, playground, picnic shelters with integrated BBQs and a toilet block along the foreshore edge accessed via a continuous shared path
- Opportunities to introduce a heritage trail along the shared path, with paved areas for display of community artwork
- Improved pedestrian access to the beach
- Opportunity for integration of artwork with retaining wall at northern abutment
- Reinstatement of potential extended zones along the shared path at the eastern foreshore, which can be used as contemplation areas with provision for seating and lookout
- A viewing platform at the location of the existing abutment
- A space greater than 25m² for potential permanent display of community artwork
- Retain the existing boat ramp and the heritage punt ramp
- Increased buffer landscape areas with shade trees
- Feature landscape treatments at the abutments and in the public domain
- Water sensitive urban design (WSUD) initiatives such as basins, natural swales and the use of permeable paving in the parking zones
- An extension of the shared path along Old Punt Road
- A raised threshold along Old Punt Road to promote the area as a shared pedestrian and vehicular zone
- Provision for use of spaces along the foreshore for activity generators, such as outdoor café areas and exercise stations.
Figure 8.2: Aerial view of northern foreshore

Artist impression

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Figure 8-3: Northern foreshore - urban design concept plan

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Figure 8-4: Aerial view of northern foreshore from Wharf Road
Figure 8-5: View of northern foreshore from raised threshold

Artist impression.
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Figure 8-6: View of northern foreshore from contemplation area
8.2 Southern foreshore

The southern foreshore is integrated with the Batemans Bay town centre located just south of the bridge. It is accessed by vehicles via North Street, off the Princes Highway. Pedestrian and cyclist access is via the shared path on the bridge.

Key design features include:

- Maintaining clearance at Clyde Street to allow for thoroughfare through Clyde Street
- Improved parking facilities with the provision of 109 total parking spaces, both on-street and off-street
- A seamless tie-in of the new parking layout with the existing, by retaining, as much as possible, existing parking spaces
- An allowance for increased on-street parking zone along the western side of Clyde Street
- Extension of the pedestrian connection to the western side of the bridge, to create a continuous shared path between eastern and western sides of Clyde Street
- An improved pedestrian and vehicular access to the foreshore via an accessible ramp on the eastern side of the bridge eastern side of the bridge
- Creation of a central open space with feature landscape treatments, to facilitate activities along the foreshore, and to act as an arrival point for pedestrians
- A basin located along the western side of the bridge, which is integrated with SEPP 14 wetlands, by maintaining location of existing discharge points and implementing water sensitive design practices
- Community amenities such as picnic shelters along the foreshore edge are accessed via a continuous shared path
- Enhance connection from the built form edge to the waters edge
- Opportunities to introduce a heritage trail along the shared path, with paved areas for the display of community artwork
- Special architecturally treated retaining walls at the abutment with signature pattern and texture to soften impact of the wall on the neighbourhood
- A fishing and viewing platform in the location and of the general shape of the existing Batemans Bay Bridge abutment
- Reinstated existing memorial plaque along foreshore edge
- Retain the existing boat ramp and the heritage punt
- Increased buffer landscape areas with shade trees
- Feature landscape treatments at the abutments and in the public domain
- A raised threshold along Clyde Street to promote the area as a shared pedestrian and vehicular zone
- Provision for use of space along the foreshore, and under the bridge for local markets and events with activity generators such as food trucks, outdoor cafes.

Figure 8-7: View of Batemans Bay Bridge from Lion Park on southern foreshore
Figure 8-8: Southern foreshore built edge relationship
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Figure 8-12: Aerial view of southern foreshore
Figure 8-13: Southern foreshore - view from stairs

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8.3 Public domain strategies

Public domain furniture
The public domain elements are perceived as a gallery of community art features, which compliment the concept of providing a narrative and creating a sense of place for the project.

Principles and strategies include:

- Bins and seats to be carefully placed, and at regular intervals so they do not obstruct major views.
- Playground to be located to allow passive surveillance and do not obstruct major views.
- Furniture to be grouped along shared footpaths/pathways for easy access.
- Furniture to be grouped in clusters in areas of high activity such as picnic shelters/BBQs, playgrounds and toilets.
- Furniture to have consistent aesthetic with the existing in terms of materials, finishes and colour.
- Furniture provided should enhance connectivity with other public domain elements.
- Furniture to have the potential for provision of smart technologies.
- Minimise life cycle costs and maintenance requirements.
- Combine furniture design, where possible so they are integrated into lesser entities and reduce visual clutter.
- Integrate services as part of the public domain furniture design.

Lighting
The lighting objectives for the public domain are to:

- Provide appropriate illumination at night to ensure public safety, public enjoyment, night-time entertainment, for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists.
- Implement high environmental lighting standards to conserve energy and minimise the unnecessary emission of light pollution.
- Minimise glare for traffic and pedestrians.
- Utilise the latest technology for effective conversion of light into illumination.

Fencing
Fencing is an integral part of road safety, as it defines the security perimeter and prevents access to dangerous and restricted areas. The primary urban design objectives for fencing is to minimise the visual impact of the fences on the surrounding environment. Planting should be provided and fencing is to be set back from the cadastral boundary, where possible.

Key principles and strategies include:

- Ensure design is integrated with other urban design elements and the landscape intent.
- Ensure their appearance is recessive in the environment to minimise visual impact.
- Ensure the design does not obstruct major view.
- Ensure the design prevents pedestrians from accessing the roadway.
- Allow provision for planting such as screening to provide visual relief.
- Minimise the number of fence types.
- Ensure a minimum of one metre buffer is provided, where possible.

Pavement
The key principles governing the choice of paving materials include:

- Sustainable, locally sourced (where possible), high durability, low embodied energy.
- Flexible and easy to remove and re-lay.
- Create a high quality pedestrian environment with materials that are robust, durable and easy to maintain.
- Choice of materials are consistent with northern and southern foreshores, local streets and shared zones.
- Reinforce streetscape hierarchy.
- Enhances the character of the northern and southern foreshores, as well as surrounding neighbourhoods, including targeted application of higher quality pavement for areas around public amenities area and recreational uses.

The public domain furniture plan illustrated in Figure 8-10 is indicative only. Provisions has been allowed for additional furniture to be added, which is subject to consultation with community and stakeholders.
Figure 8-15: Public domain furniture plan- north
Figure 8-16: Public domain furniture plan - south
Southern foreshore fishing/viewing platform

The southern foreshore fishing/viewing platform is situated at the location of the existing bridge abutment, and its size and shape echoes the alignment of the existing Batemans Bay Bridge, creating a view axis towards the northern foreshore.

The design of the platform is integrated with the southern promenade and the central green space, creating an arrival point for pedestrians accessing the southern foreshore. It can be used both as a viewing platform offering uninterrupted views towards the northern foreshore, as well as a fishing platform with access to the water via multiple Moruya granite courses on either side.

It is large enough to accommodate outdoor seating and 25m² dedicated artwork display area. It has an integrated landscape approach, with signature planting that maintains sightlines, create shade and meets CPTED requirements, refer to Chapter 7.0 for more details.

The platform itself is of a timber deck construction, partly supported on piles with bearer and concrete slab substructure on land. The varying heights of the balustrade takes into the consideration wheelchair accessibility to the platform’s edge, allowing all members of the community to enjoy this space.
Northern foreshore viewing platform
The northern foreshore viewing platform is along the same view axis as the south, and also situated at the location of the existing bridge abutment. It is located centrally on the foreshore, close to parking, playground, shelters and amenities and can be accessed from the footpath along the foreshore.

Similar to the south, it is a timber deck construction and setback on the beach.
Southern foreshore green space and paving

The central open space on the southern foreshore, as a point of arrival is characterised by feature landscape treatments as well as surface treatments.

The vegetation on the central open space takes into account the provision of shade whilst incorporating CPTED principles, by providing low planting for passive surveillance and open lawn areas to provide opportunities for passive recreation. Refer to Chapter 7.0 for details.

As a space that links the eastern and western sides of the foreshore, the paving treatments take into consideration the existing material palette and adopts the existing promenade paving for the central walkway, as it meanders through the oval, and extends to the boat ramp. This allows a seamless integration between the existing and the new, and the promenade can be experienced as a continuous journey.

The area under the bridge can be used for vehicular access as well as for local markets and events. The undercroft of the bridge provides shade and protection for vendors with access to amenities. It will be finished in concrete with mosaic infill which align with the promenade paving.
Toilet block

The Batemans Bay Bridge amenities are a communal facility. The amenities are housed in precast panel concrete walls with a separate DDA facility to allow for privacy.

The design features a lightweight, roof canopy with concealed gutters, float elegantly above the concrete structure below, like a pavilion in the landscape.

Figure 8-23: Concrete box house, Houston, Robertson Design

Figure 8-24: Lizard log amenities, Wetherill Park, Chrofi

Figure 8-25: Toilet block plan
8.4 Materials

The selection of materials and colours for the project is based on the following principles:

- Compliments the natural setting of the area
- Integrates with existing finishes
- Responds to the history of the place
- Durability and ease of maintenance
- Provides opportunities for interpretation
- Derived from a consistent palette of colours that complement each other

The existing materials are predominantly timber, granite and metal, in earthly colours ranging from light grey to reddish brown.

The materials and colours proposed for the project illustrated on the following pages.

The materials and colours are indicative only and will be subject to resolution during detailed design and consultation.
### 8.5 Public domain schedule

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Retaining wall

- South
  - Class 2 concrete
    - Natural off-form colour and anti-graffiti treatment
    - Reckli Ripple J and Thames
    - Articulated horizontal pattern

- North
  - Class 2 concrete
    - Natural off-form colour
    - Reckli Ripple J
    - Articulated vertical pattern - Natural concrete texture
9.0 Conclusion

This report presents an integrated urban and landscape design, developed through an iterative process, working closely with various design disciplines and Roads and Maritime. The urban design responds to the objectives, principles and strategies developed for the project.

This document demonstrates that the following objectives are achieved:

- Provide an elegant design for the bridge that enhances the user experience and is integrated with other project elements, to fit sensitively into its natural setting and makes reference to the identity of the existing bridge to become a new icon and legacy for Batemans Bay
- Provide opportunities to reflect the heritage values of the community including the evolving narrative of the river crossing from a punt, to the lift span bridge, to the new raised span bridge
- Provide opportunities for the development of the foreshores, including the provision of additional parking, increased amenities and recreational zones
- Reinforce connectivity between communities on either side of the bridge
- Highlight opportunities for foreshore improvements, in close consultation with key stakeholders and the community, to be undertaken as future works.

The project provides a new layer to the narrative of crossing the Clyde River by making references to the old while allowing motorists, pedestrians and the public to participate in the creation of new memories at the centre of their community. The elegant sculptural form of the bridge will provide a positive experience for both drivers and the community by opening up new visual experiences while respecting heritage values of the community and the local landscape character. The project reinforces the identity of Batemans Bay in the creation of this new icon as a legacy for the community.

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