

A scenic view of a coastal path. In the foreground, a wooden boardwalk with railings leads through a dense forest of trees with green and yellowing leaves. A family consisting of a woman, a man, and a child is walking away from the camera on the boardwalk. In the background, a harbor with several boats is visible under a clear blue sky. The scene is framed by large, gnarled tree trunks in the foreground.

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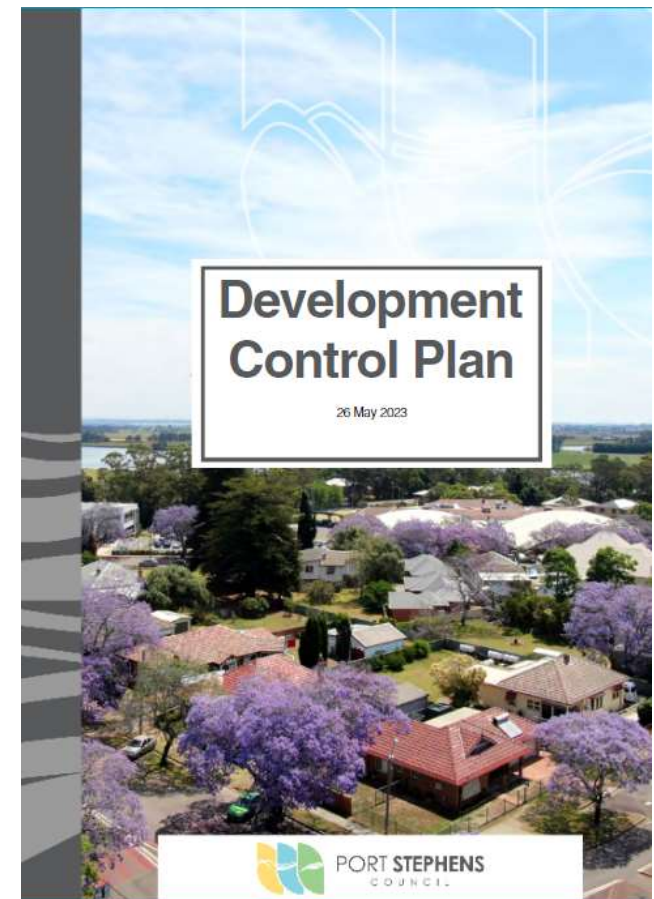
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Development Control Plan Update

Updates to Chapter B1 – Tree Management and Chapter B2
Flora and Fauna (previously Natural Resources)

Why?

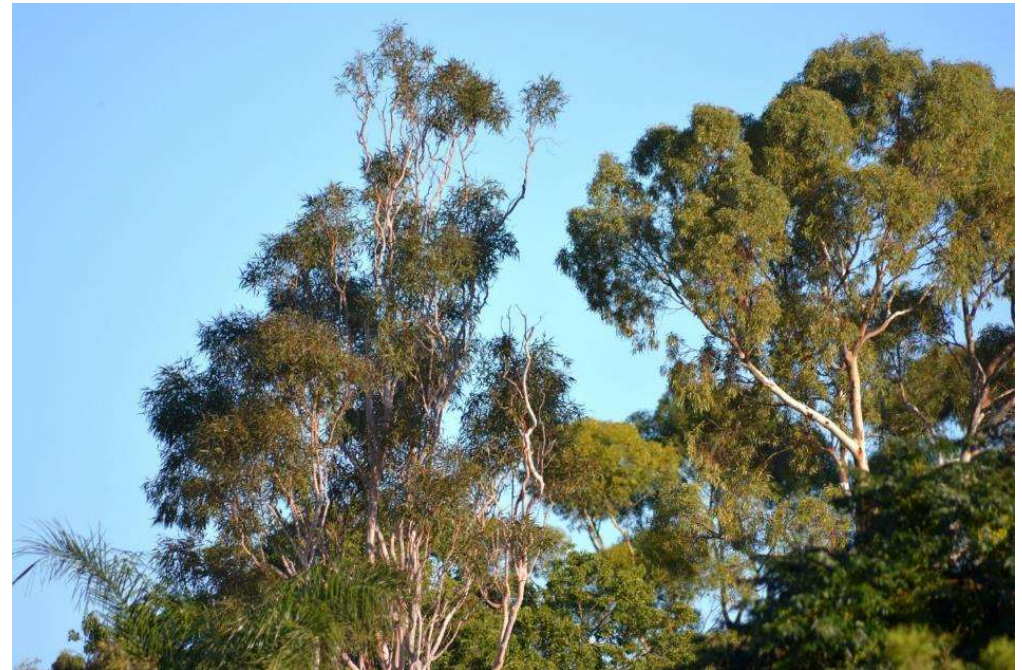
- Reduce exemptions
- Reflect current legislation
- Provide greater guidance on DA submission requirements to assist both applicants and Council
- Provide greater upfront clarity on ecological considerations
- Relocate compensatory planting requirements from technical specification to DCP



Chapter B1 – Tree Management

Additional requirements for tree permits:

- Trees which are identified for retention under previous development consents or tree permits,
- Trees located on land that is Biodiversity Values mapped or is used as
- Trees which are habitat for native animals
- Koala feed tree species



Chapter B2 Flora and Fauna (previously Natural Resources)

- Remove reference to *Threatened Species Conservation Act* and replace with *Biodiversity Conservation Act*
- Provide greater clarity on technical information required to support an application to remove trees and vegetation e.g. provision of a tree removal and retention plan, vegetation management plans, building envelopes and environmental design considerations.
- Koala habitat controls updated to align with the CKPoM, specifically Appendix 4 (Koala Performance Criteria Assessment) and 6 (Koala Habitat Assessment), to provide greater upfront clarity
- Compensatory planting requirements inserted (previously provided in Tree Technical Specification)



Next Steps



Updated Technical Specifications and Guidelines

- Biodiversity Technical Specification – Amalgamates Tree, Vegetation and Nest Box Technical Specifications
- Ecological Impact Assessment Guideline

