

North Parramatta

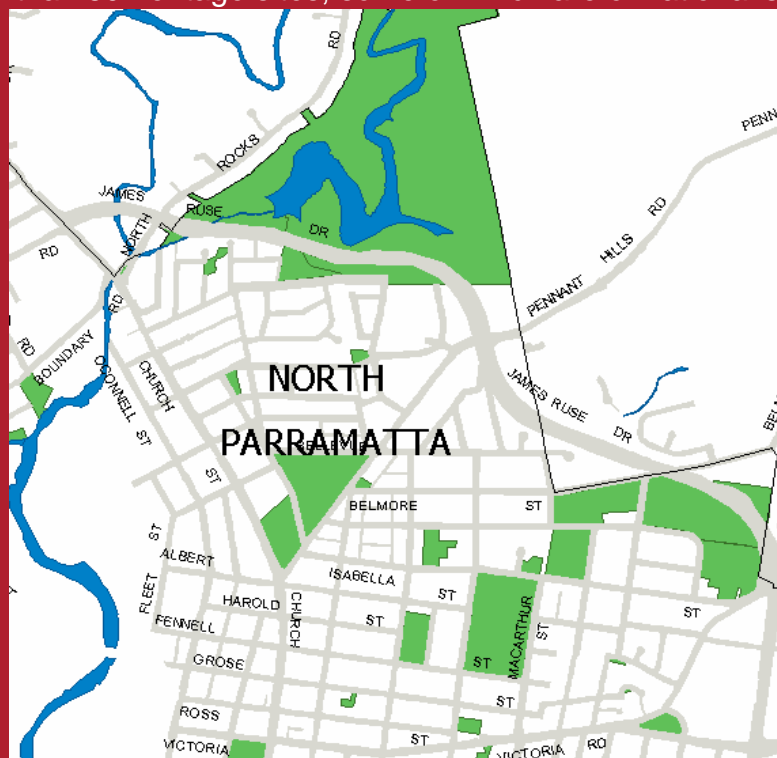


North Parramatta lies just a few minutes walk to the north of Parramatta city centre. Housing in North Parramatta ranges from single storey cottages through to large numbers of residential units closer to the CBD. There is also some significant heritage buildings and industrial areas.

Key sites within North Parramatta include Lake Parramatta and the Cumberland Hospital precinct.

Lake Parramatta once provided water for the City of Parramatta and is now a pleasant and popular recreational area.

The Cumberland Hospital and surrounding area includes some 35 hectares of mostly Government owned land with more than 80 heritage sites, some of which are of national significance.



Wards: Arthur Phillip and
Elizabeth Macarthur
Population : 7,822
Postcode: 2150

Where We Are Heading

The State Government has developed a draft Masterplan for the North Parramatta Mixed Use Zone that includes the Cumberland Hospital and surrounding area, to guide any future development of the land. There is potential for the adaptive reuse of the many nationally significant heritage buildings including opportunities for new cultural activities, housing and employment within the unique landscape setting along the Parramatta River.

The revitalisation of the shopping centre at Iron Street is a Better Neighbourhoods Project to be carried out in the 2005/2006 period, and a new playground is planned for Lake Parramatta.

Other challenges and opportunities identified for North Parramatta include improving access and circulation of traffic, and managing the ever increasing demand for resident and visitor parking in the area - especially in those areas close to Parramatta CBD - and providing social and community services for the large numbers of people living in the area.

Suburb Snapshot

Who are we:

- 36.4 % born overseas

Top four non English speaking countries of birth:

- 9.0% China
- 8.7% Lebanon
- 5.0% India
- 4.5% Korea

Top four age groups:

- 11.5% 20-24 years
- 11.5% 30-34 years
- 10.8% 35-39 years
- 7.9% 40-44 years

Top three religions:

- 27.3% Catholic
- 14.6% Anglican
- 10.2% Other Christian

Source: ABS Statistics 2001

Fast financial facts:

- 3.4% unemployed
- \$52,460 average yearly household Income
- \$500,000 median house price
- \$300,000 median unit price
- 10% public housing
- 34% separate houses
- 54% apartment and flats

Assets:

- Macarthur Girls High School
- Iron Street Shops

Community networks:

- Department of Community Services
- Parramatta Local Area Command
- Upper Parramatta River Catchment Trust
- Macarthur Girls High School
- Lake Parramatta Bushcare Group
- Parramatta Leagues Club
- Northcott Society
- Department of Commerce
- Parramatta Correction Centre
- Cumberland Hospital

Our environment:

- Doyle Ground
- Sherwin Park
- Roslyn Bay Park
- Belmore Park/Richie Benaud Oval
- Barton Park
- Dan Mahoney Reserve
- Thomas Williams Reserve
- Old Saleyards Reserve
- Lake Parramatta Reserve
- All Saints Cemetery
- PH Jeffery Reserve