

Telopea



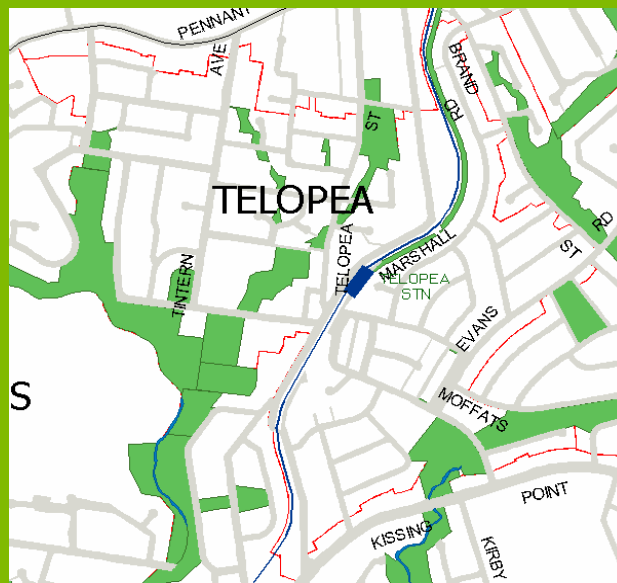
Telopea is located 15 minutes drive from the Parramatta CBD. It is situated towards the top of the Vineyard Creek and Ponds Subiaco Creek sub catchment, overlooking Dundas Valley.

The suburb was settled in the late 18th century and became a predominantly residential area centred around Telopea railway station in the mid 20th century, particularly in the 1960s and 1970s.

The two main service centres for Telopea are Carlingford Court and the Parramatta CBD. Smaller local centres are the Telopea Station and the Waratah Shopping Centres.

The topography of the suburb consists of gentle slopes leading from a ridge at Pennant Hills Road to two creek corridors containing remnant bushland. The landscape is defined by these bushland corridors and well developed domestic gardens containing large numbers of established native and ornamental trees.

The Carlingford railway line corridor follows a ridge line that cuts directly through Telopea, creating two individual neighbourhoods.



Wards: Elizabeth Macarthur
and Lachlan Macquarie
Population: 4,897
Postcode: 2117

Where We Are Heading

As a well-established suburb, Telopea is undergoing generational change. As the population ages, residents require changes in housing and facilities. However, the suburb also needs to accommodate younger people, especially by providing better recreational activities.

Community groups and networks need to be built upon to provide support to a wide range of residents in all stages of life.

Waratah Shopping Centre and the Telopea Station Shopping Centre are both in need of a range of improvements.

Work is already progressing on revitalising Vineyard Creek and this needs to continue to safeguard the area's natural beauty. In this regard, it's important to manage any increases in population around Telopea Station to ensure it doesn't negatively impact on Vineyard Creek.

Transport could be improved by lobbying for service improvements and upgrades to stations along the Carlingford to Clyde Rail Line. Safe cycling and pedestrian access routes will also keep residents healthier, happier and less dependent on cars.

Suburb Snapshot

Who are we:

- 34.0% born overseas

Top four non English speaking countries of birth:

- 14.0% China
- 8.1% Korea
- 5.4% India
- 4.8% Lebanon
- 4.8% Hong Kong

Top four age groups:

- 8.4% 35-39 years
- 7.8% 40-44 years
- 7.6% 30-34 years
- 6.8% 25-29 years

Top three religions:

- 26% Catholic
- 20% Anglican
- 5.0% Uniting

Fast financial facts:

- 3.9% unemployed
- \$51,310 average yearly household income
- \$520,000 median house price
- \$374,000 median unit price
- 25% public housing
- 48% separate house
- 34% flats and apartments

Assets:

- Telopea Railway Station
- Evans Street Shopping Centre
- Adderton Road Shopping Centre
- Waratah Shopping Centre

Community networks:

- Dundas Area Neighbourhood Centre
- Dundas Community Health and Mental Health Team
- Telopea Family Support
- Anglicare Child and Family Services
- Telopea Public School

Our environment:

- Vineyard Creek
- Vineyard Creek Reserve
- Oatlands Golfcourse
- Homelands Reserve
- Wesley Street Reserve
- Calangara Park
- Searle Park
- Tobin Park
- Sturt Reserve
- Dundas Park
- Herbert Rumsey Reserve
- Cox Park

Source: ABS Statistics 2001