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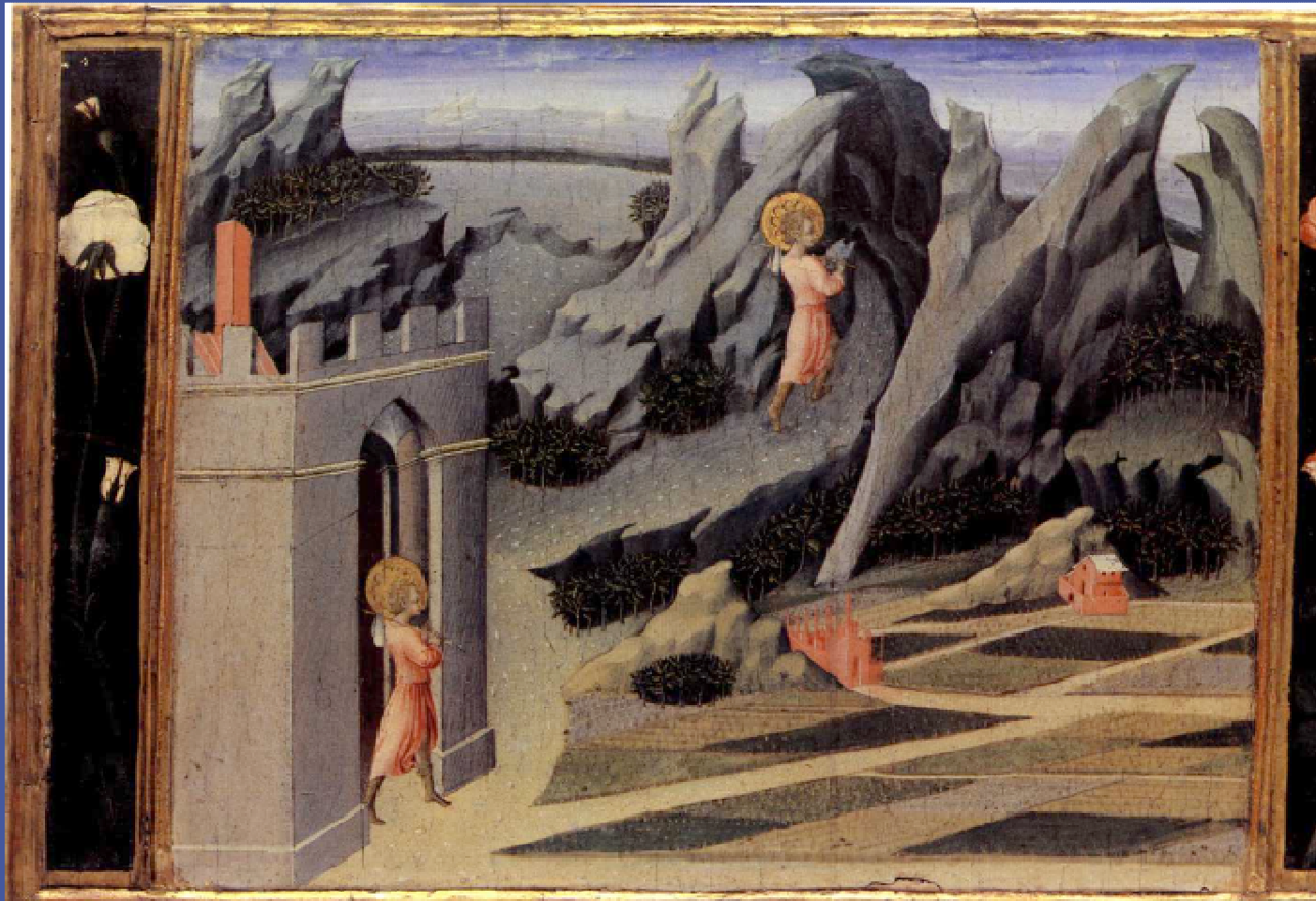
# Humans and Nature...

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- Have always lived in an evolutionary relationship

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- The Urban, the Pastoral and the Natural were in constant flux...

# St John enters the Habitat Corridor



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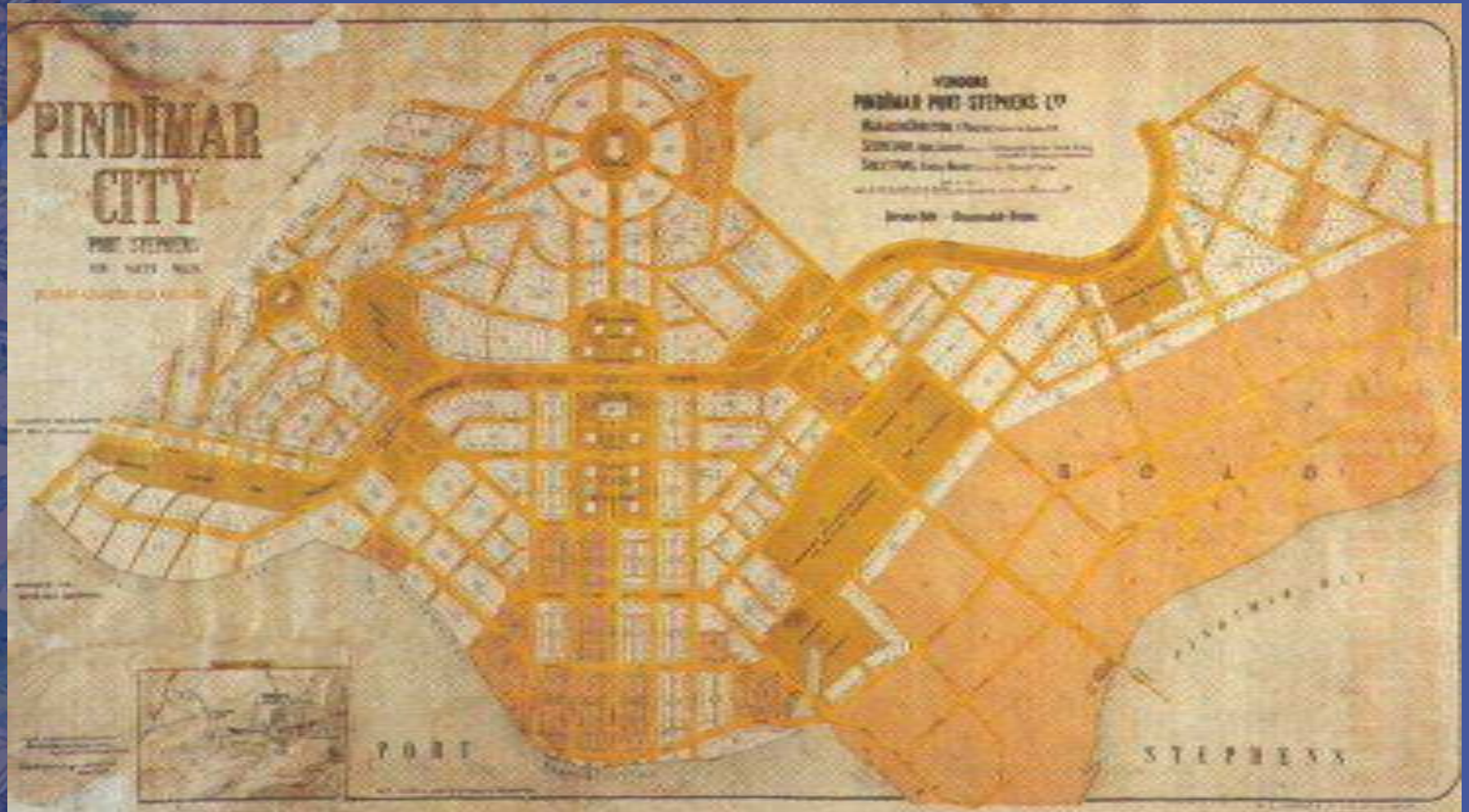


# In Australia...

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- We had around a century of difficult embryonic Urbanism

# We Had Urbanism...



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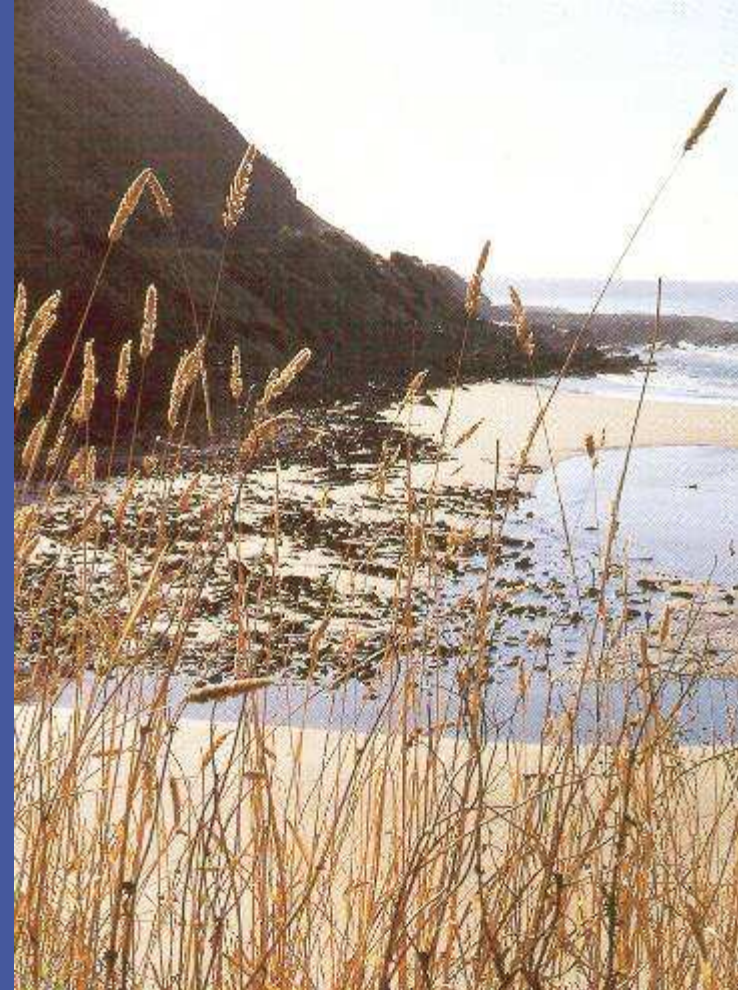
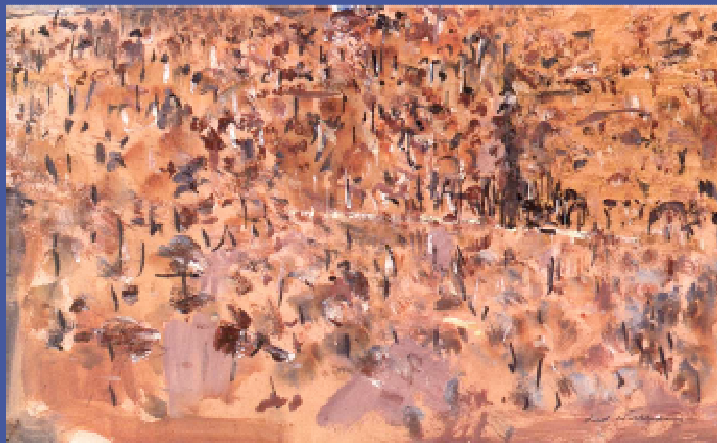
# And then we lost it...

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- And then most of our growth as the ‘quiet revolution’ of Sub-urbanism
- Which exaggerated a growing sense of *landscape* and *space* as the definitional characteristics of the places we live in
- *Setbacks* became a key planning concept, and still are...and let’s not forget *buffers*



# 'Australiana - Bush, Outback, Coast'

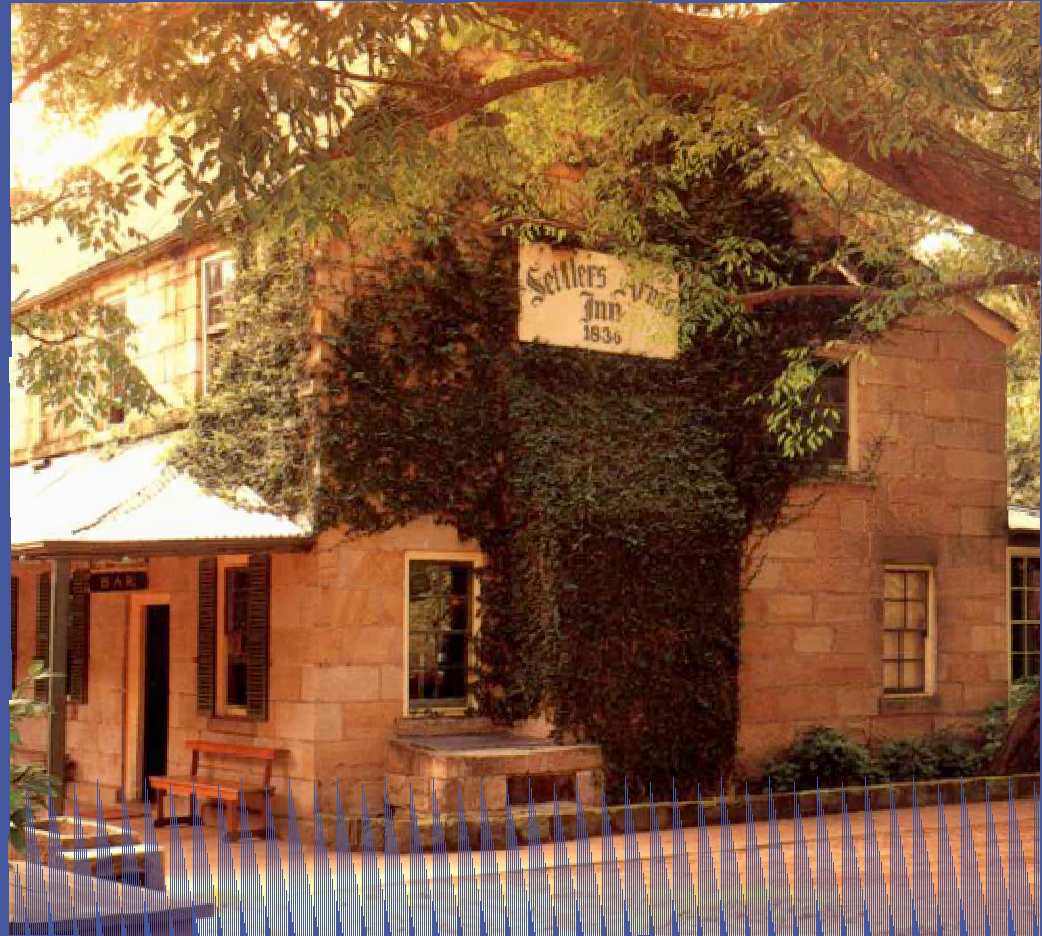
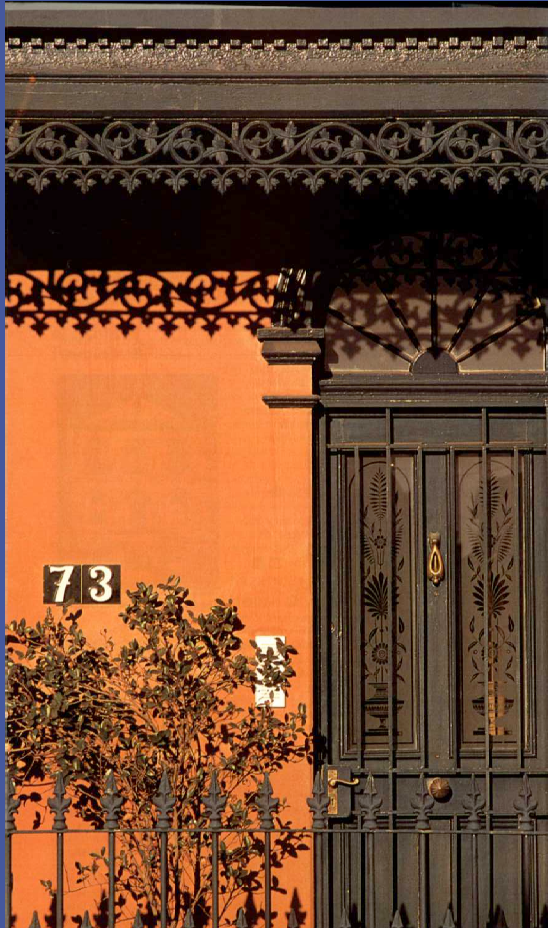


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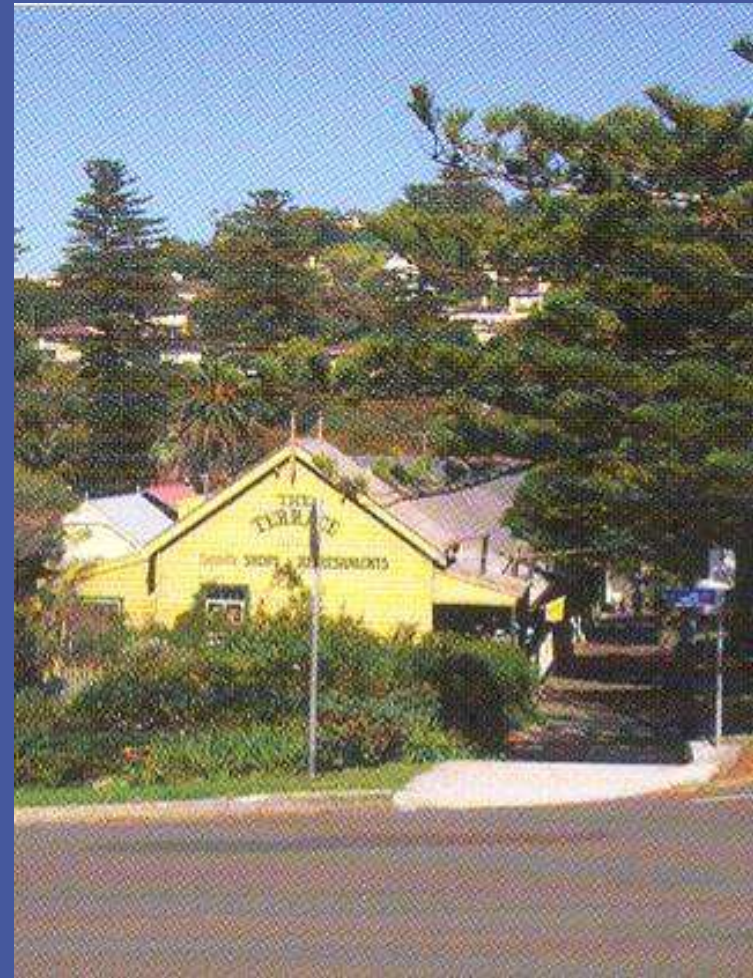
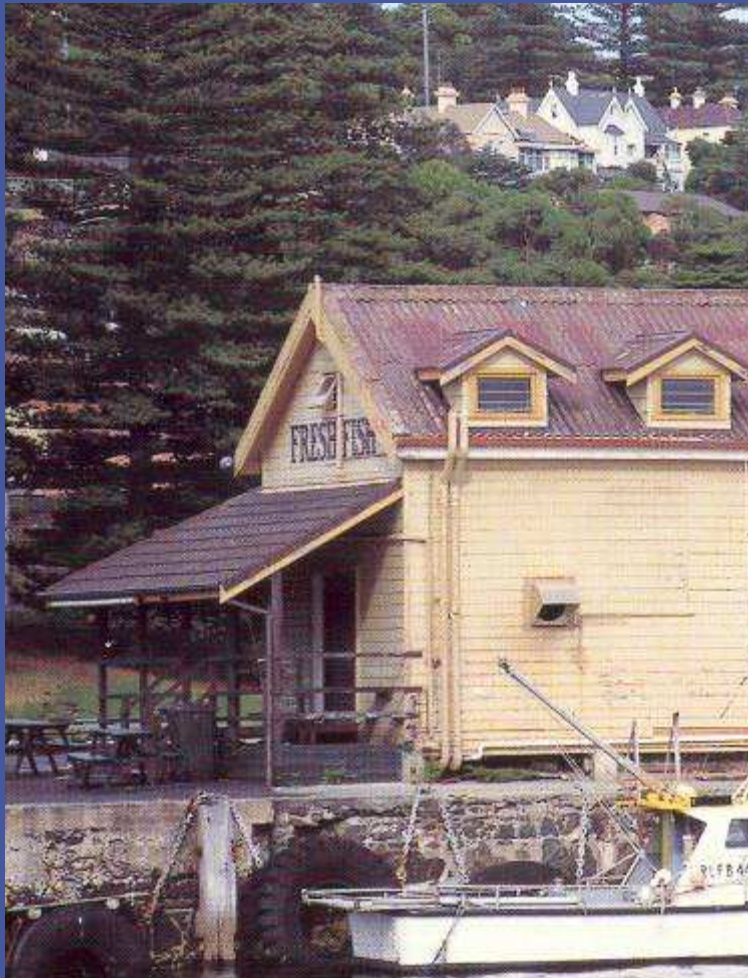


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# So it's no surprise that we get this..



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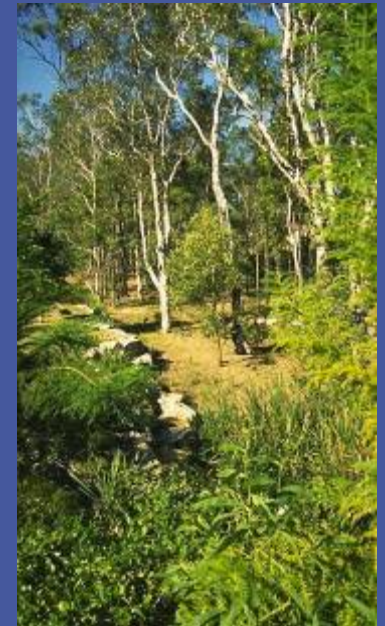
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- Placemaking hasn't been won



# The Transect

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- A key recent move has been the development of the transect...
- This has taken on board the discipline of scientific biological study, and transposed it into urban study.
- It aims to detail the anatomy of human settlement, in plan, section and elevation



# Our Job...

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- As planners, designers and implementers of the built environment is to gain back the placemaking credibility we lost last century
- Part of doing this is to elevate the touchy-feely art of designing places to become a match for the hard nosed rigour of environmental science



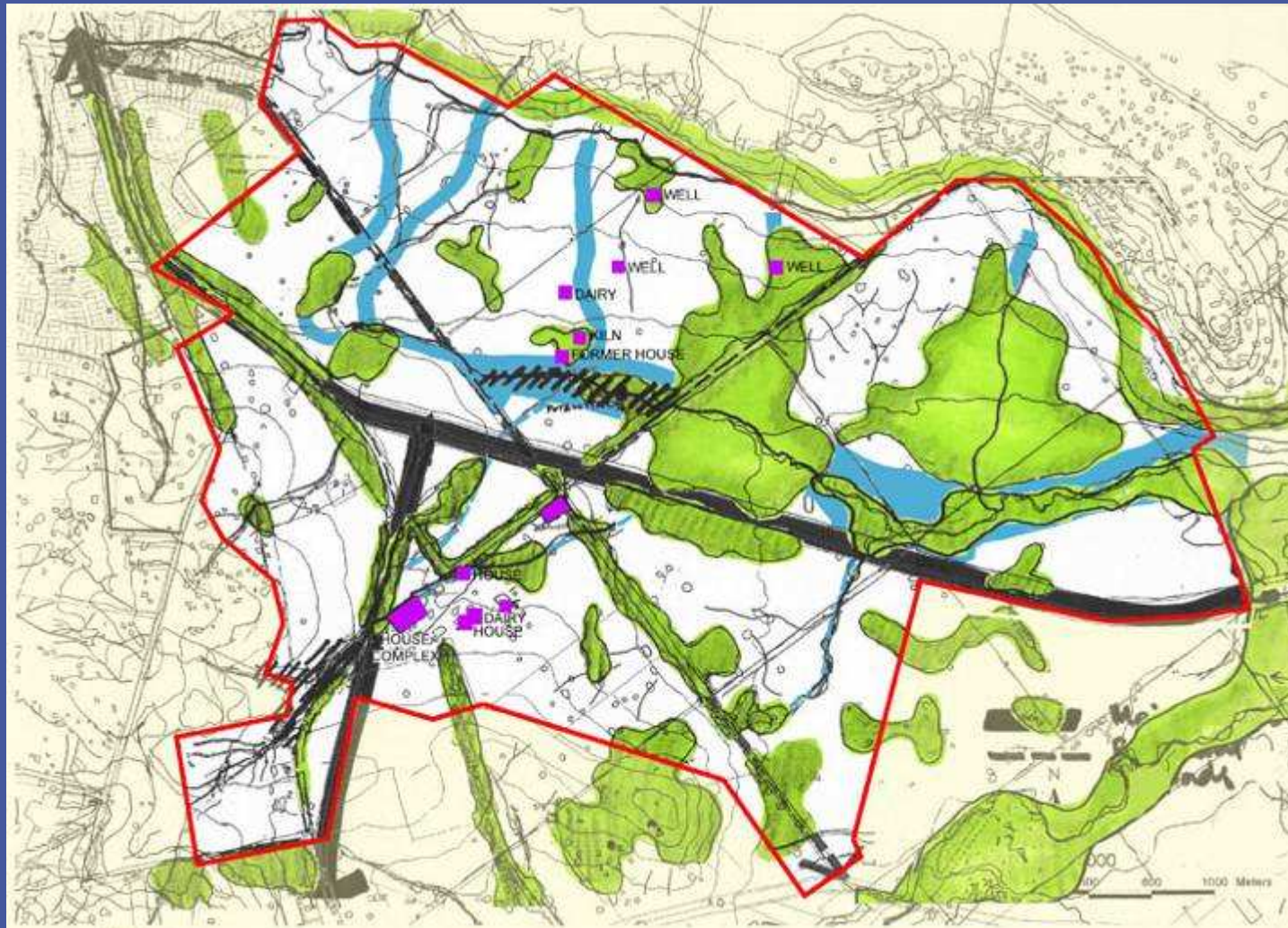


# Resolving Environment and Urbanism on the Front Line...

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# Land of the Long Green Buffer

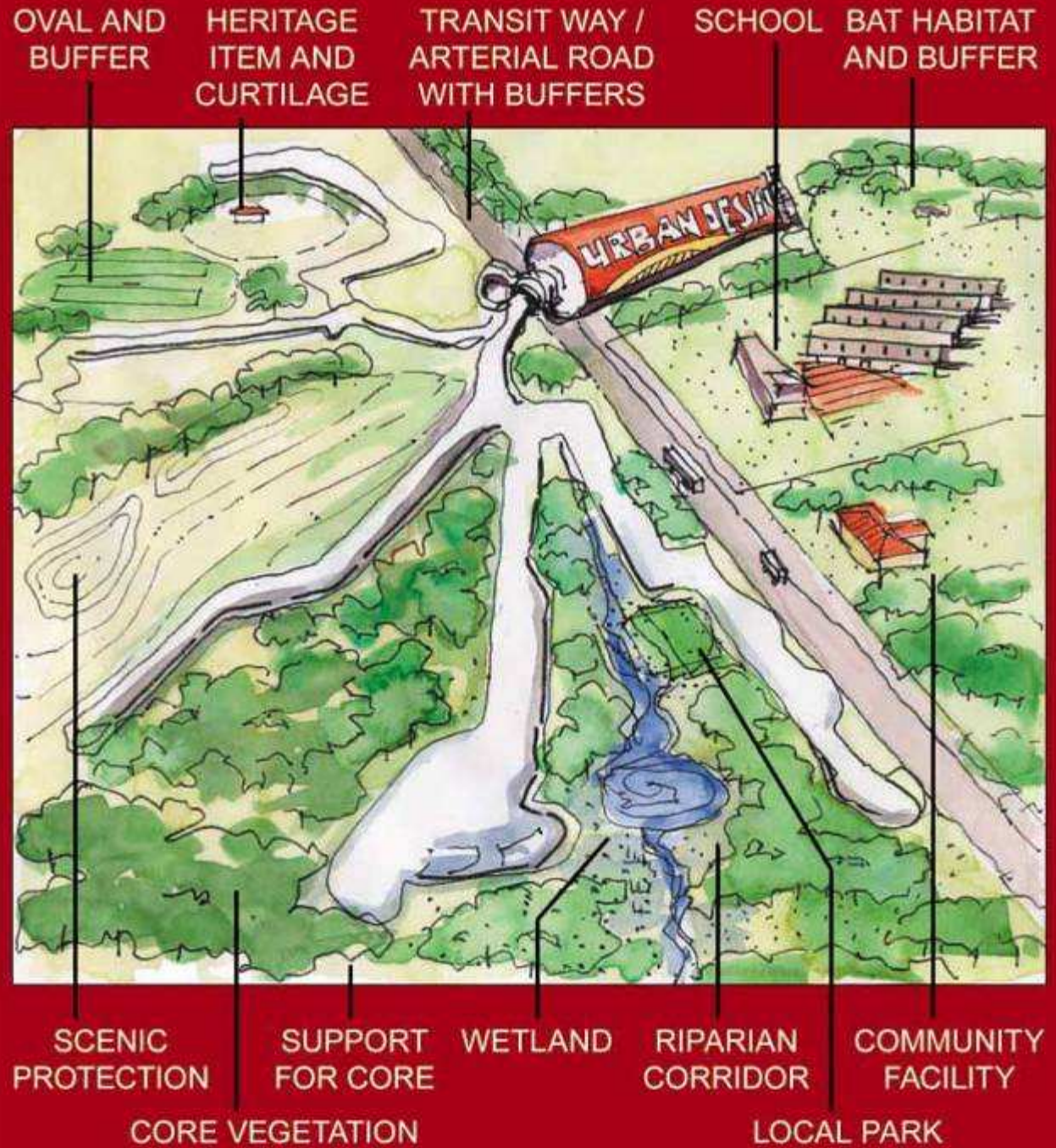


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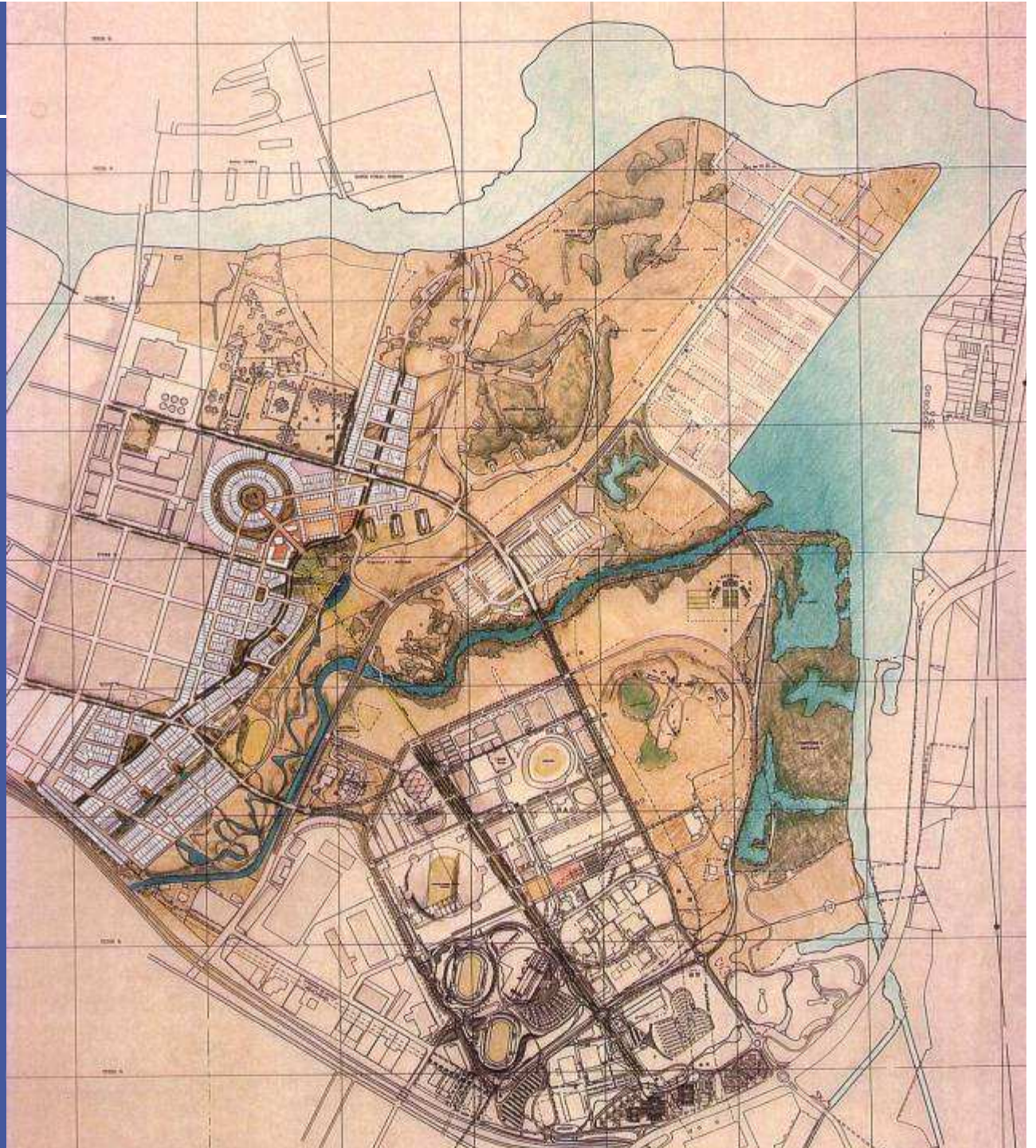


# Squeezing the Toothpaste...





# Olympic Village



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# North West Sector



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# Second Ponds Creek





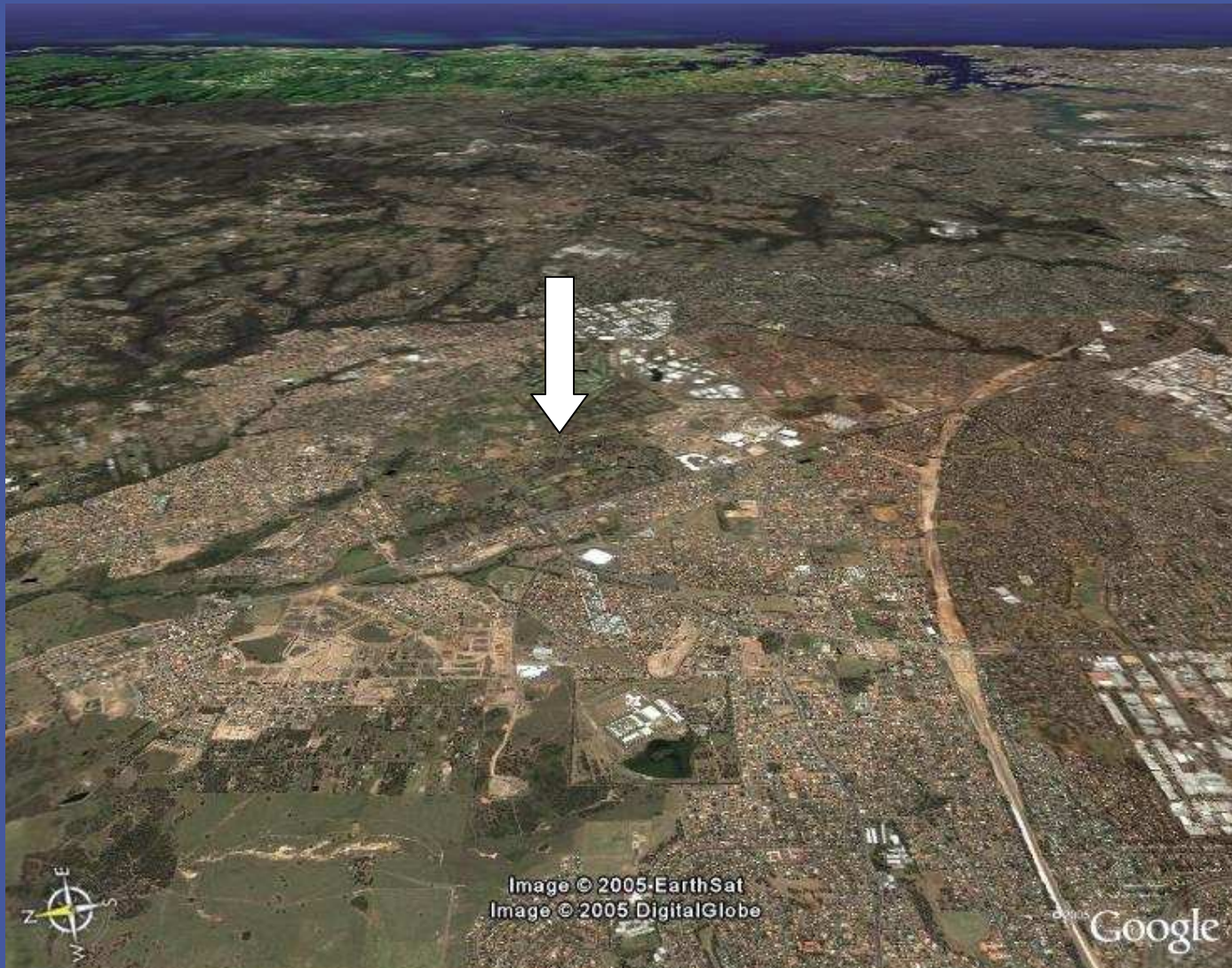
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# Stanhope Gardens

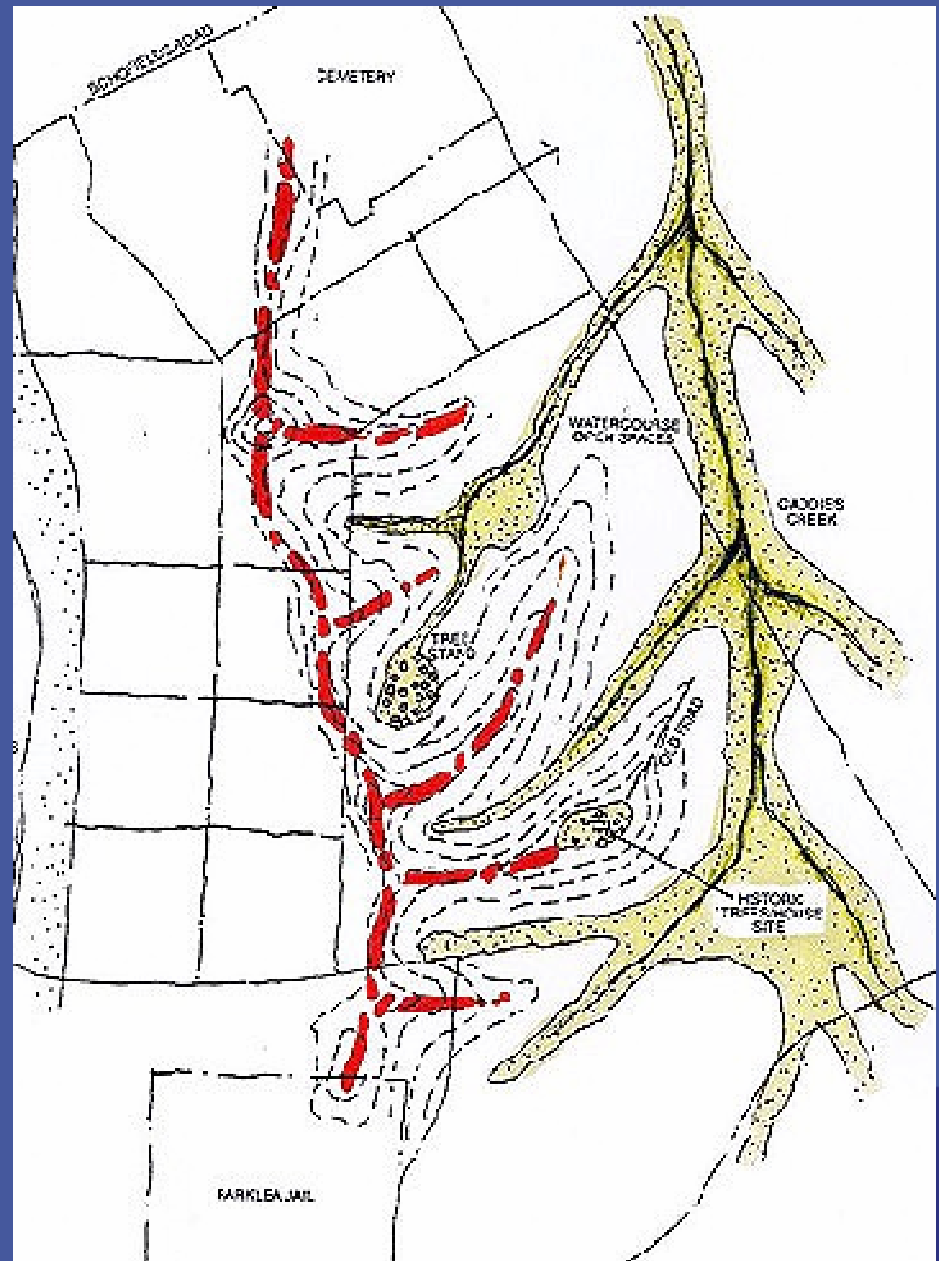


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# Stanhope Gardens

- Reflecting nature in design of corridor





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# Macarthur Centre



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# Macarthur Northside



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# Good Urbanism is also Endangered

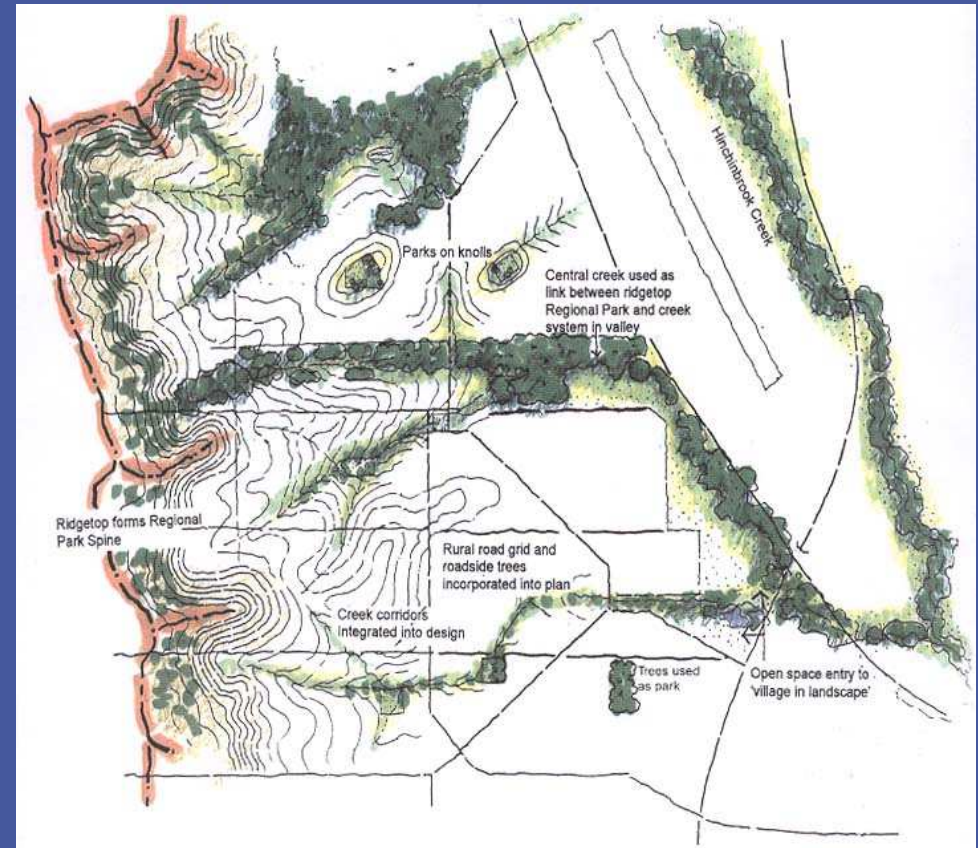


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# Southern Hoxton Park

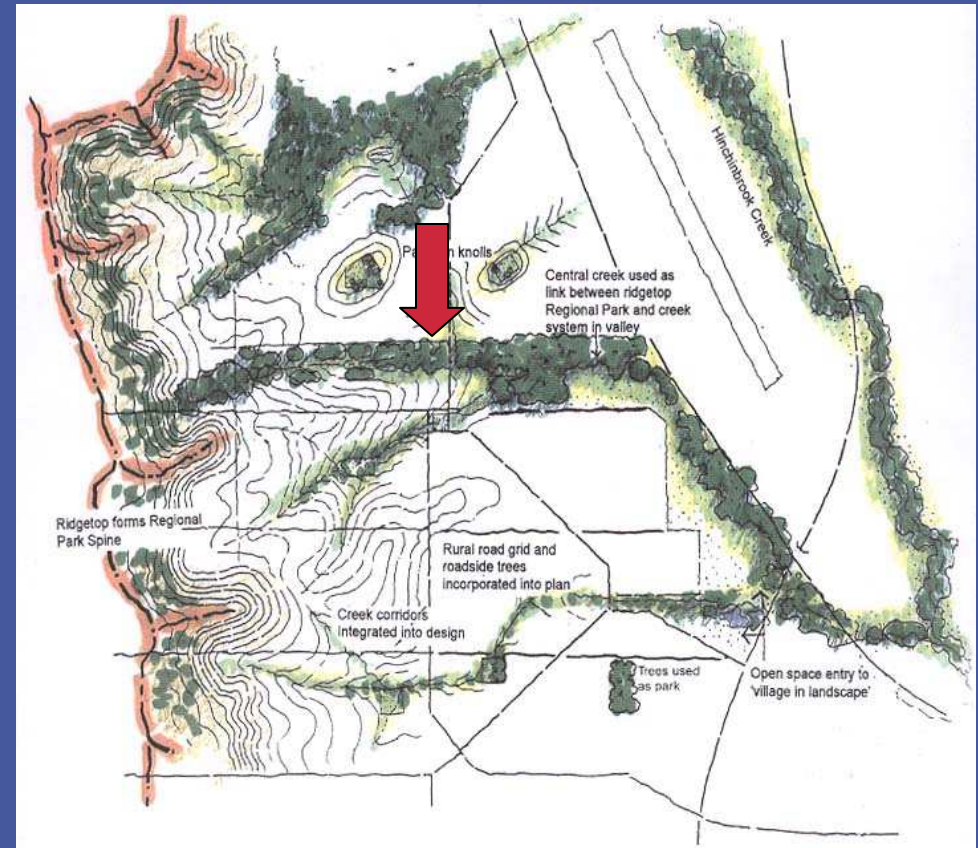
- Smart Growth Plan
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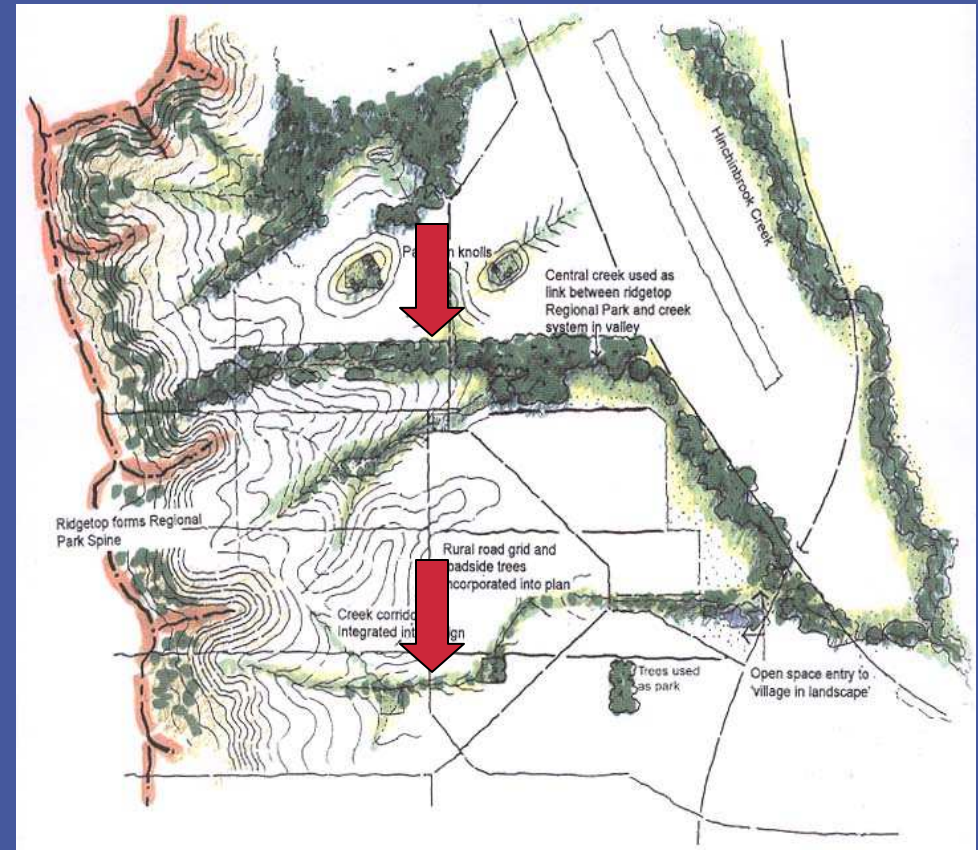
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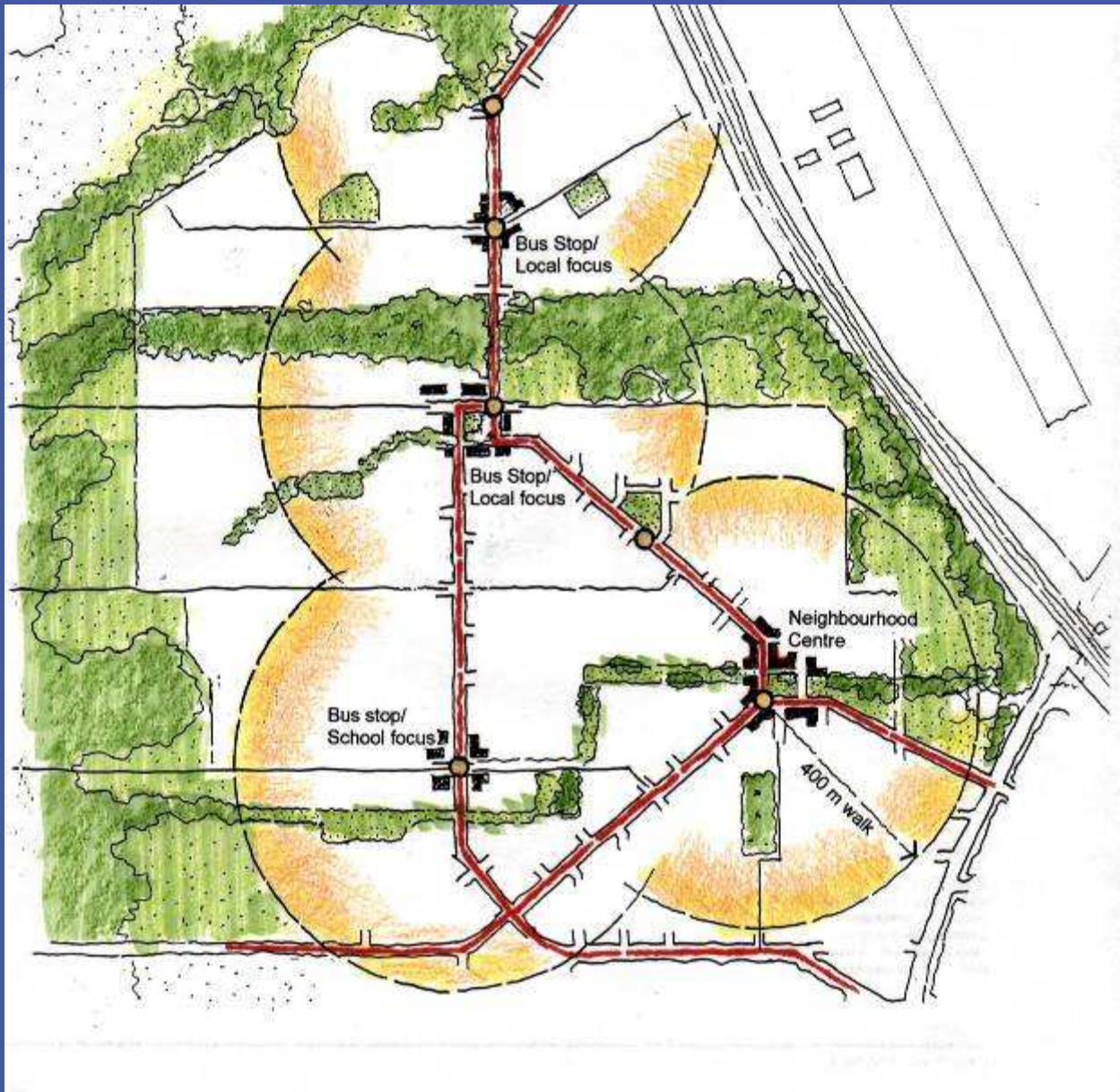


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- Southern Drainage Line

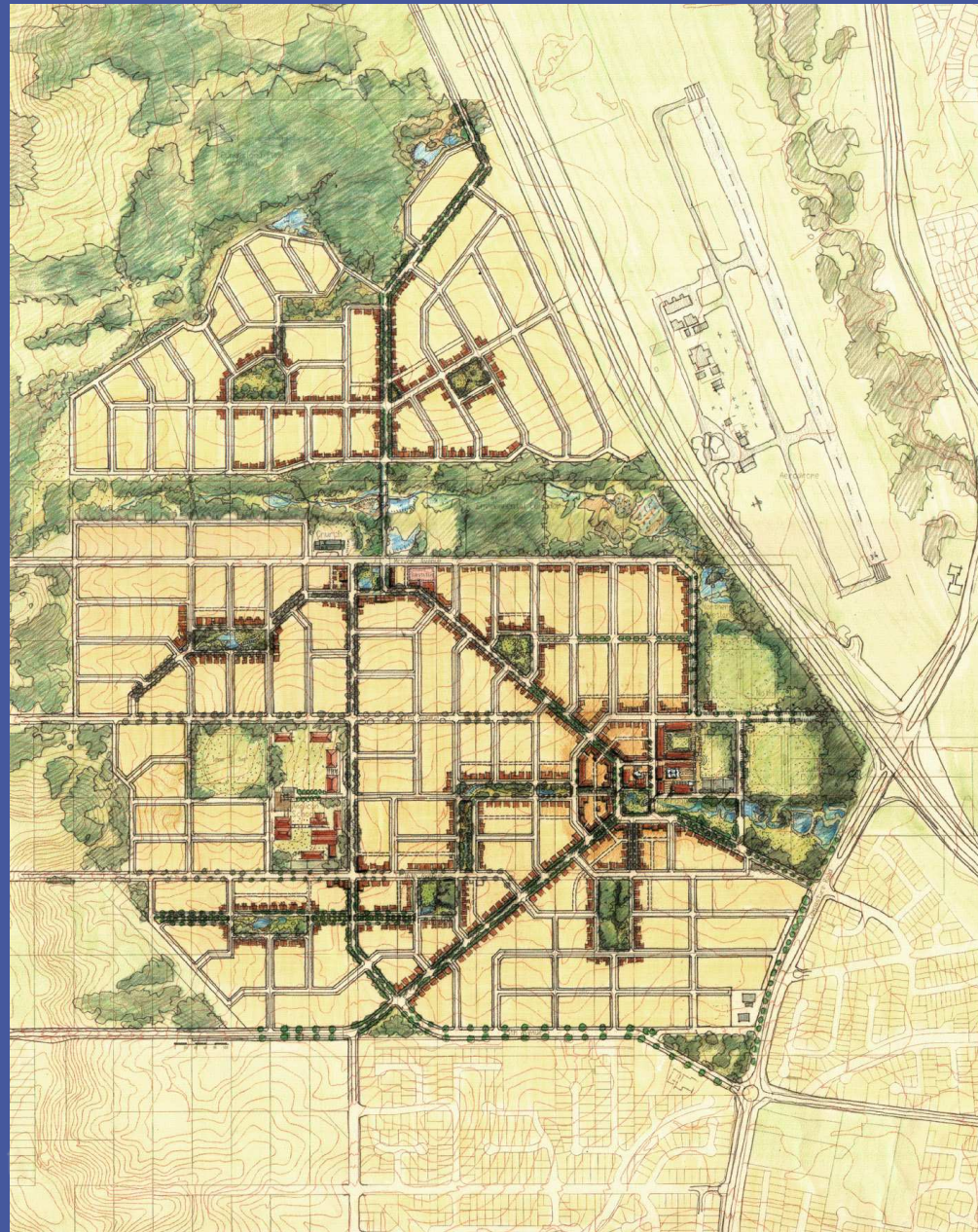








# Master Plan

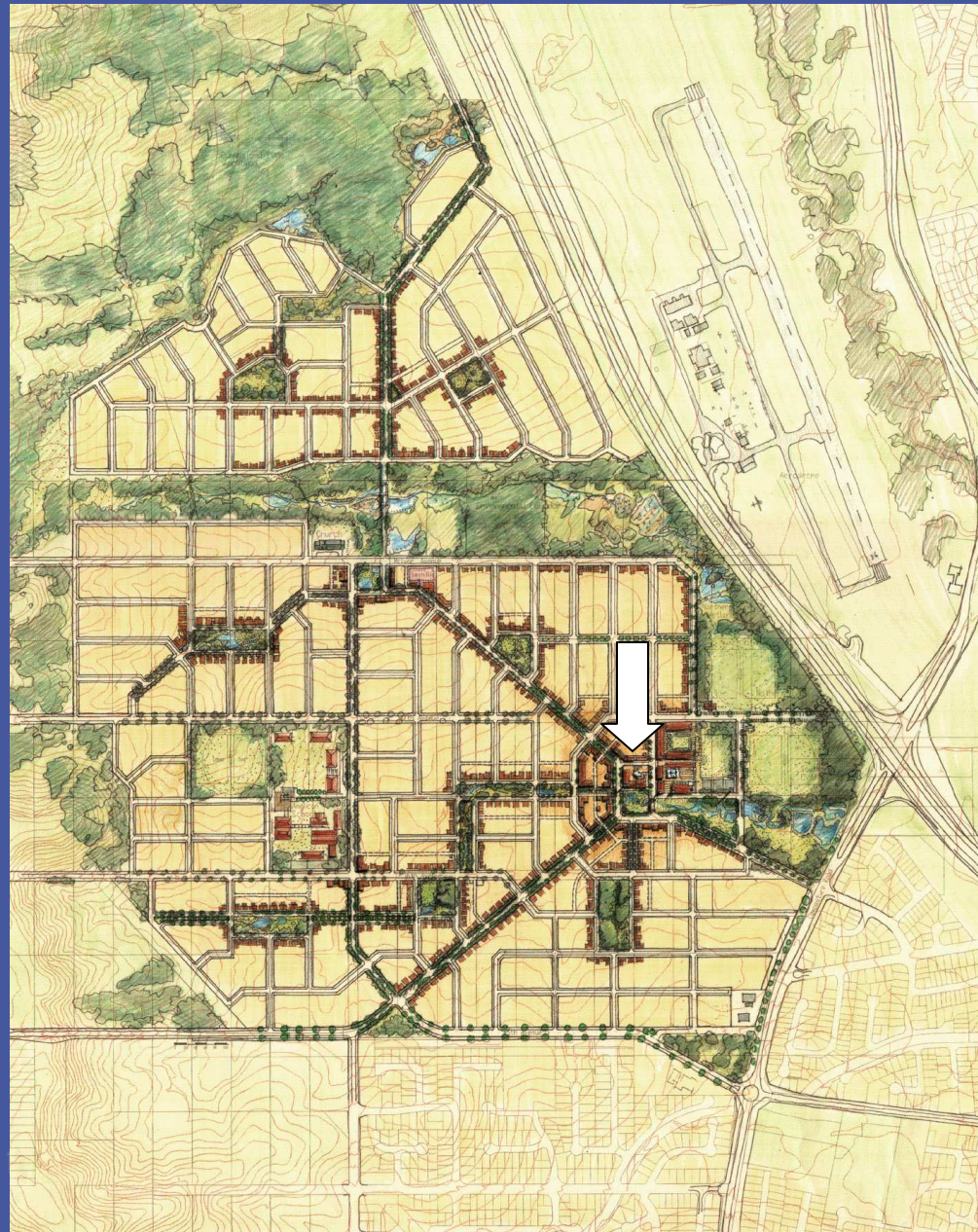


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# Creeklane Centre

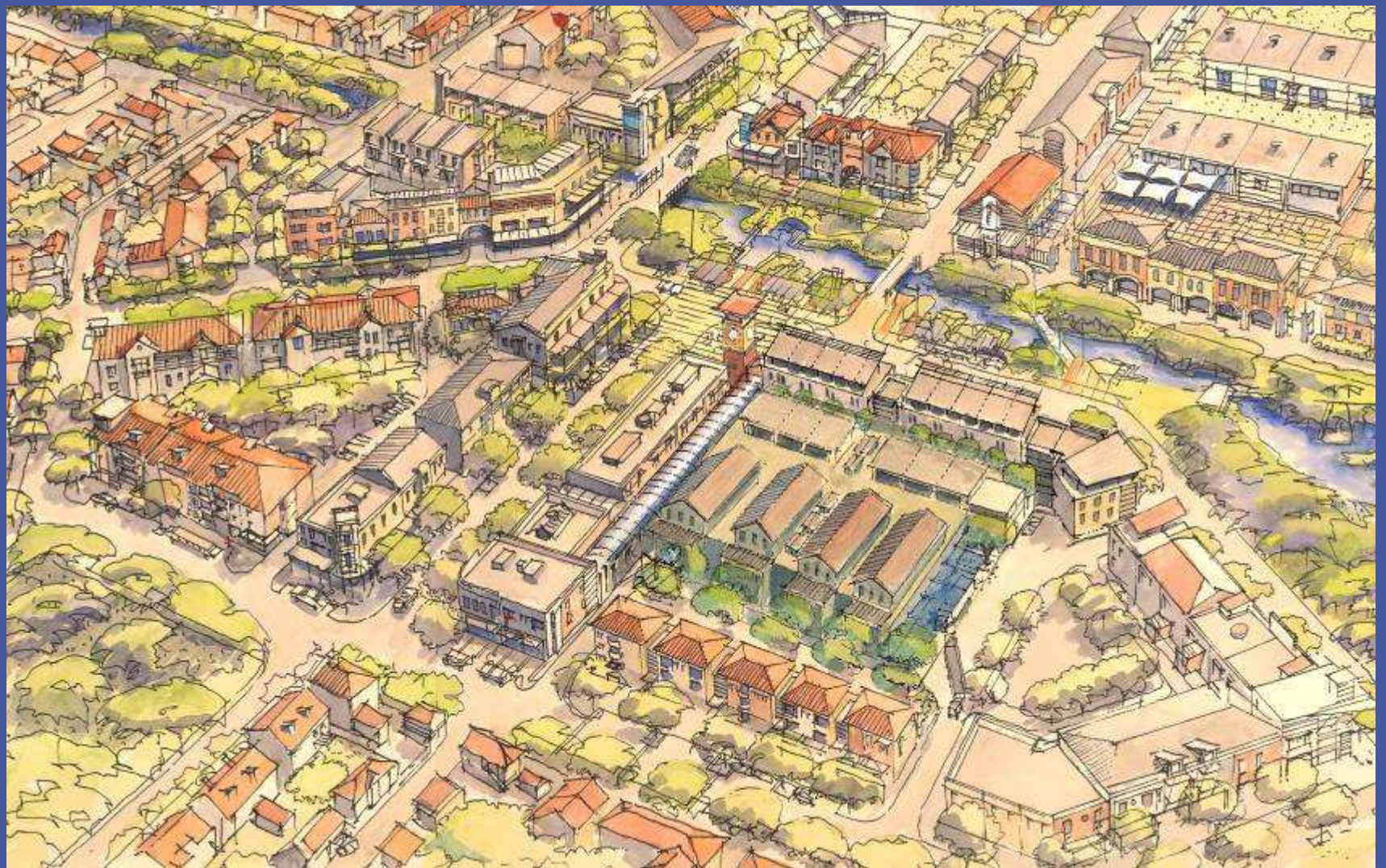


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# Coastal Character



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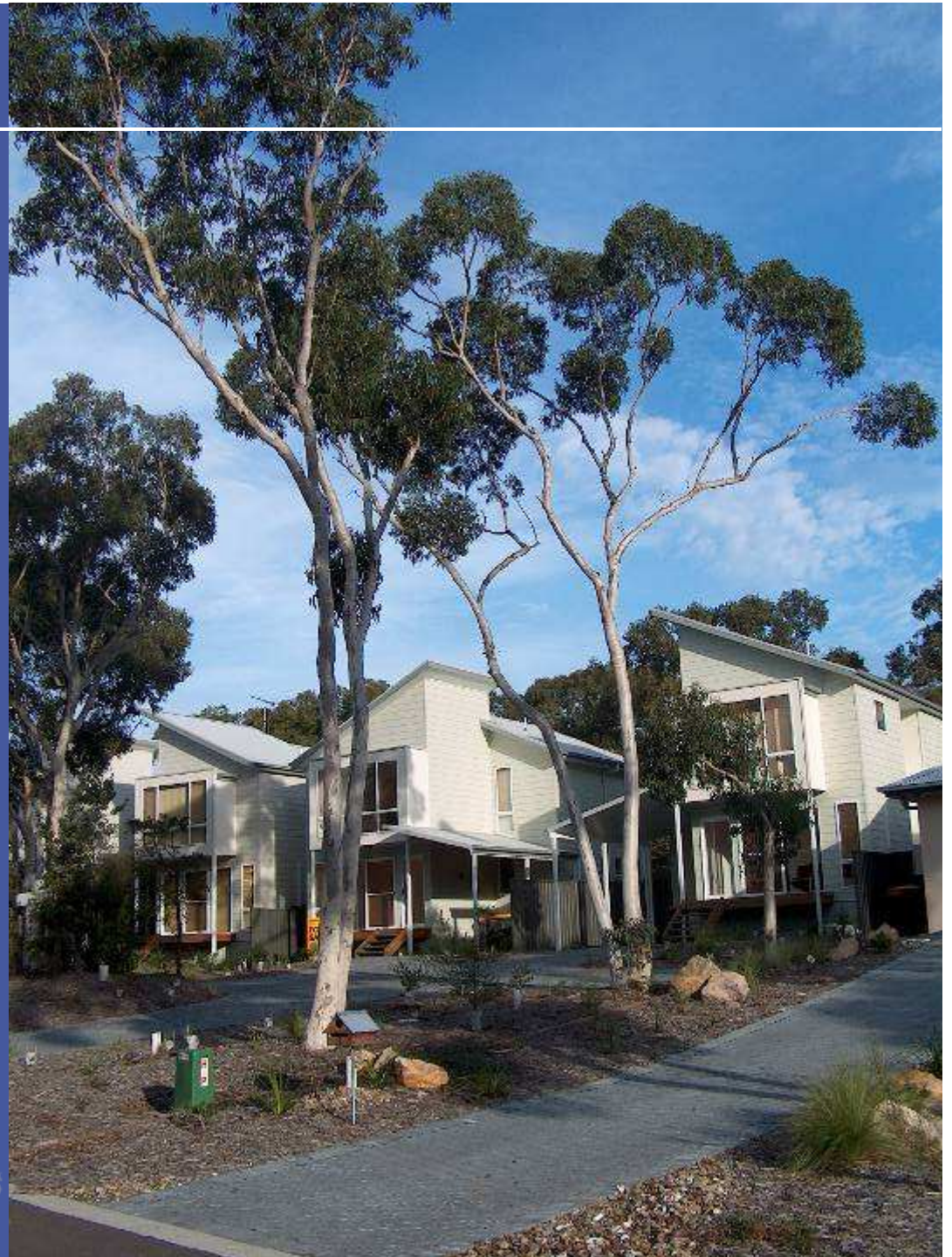
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# Callala Beach



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# Vincentia



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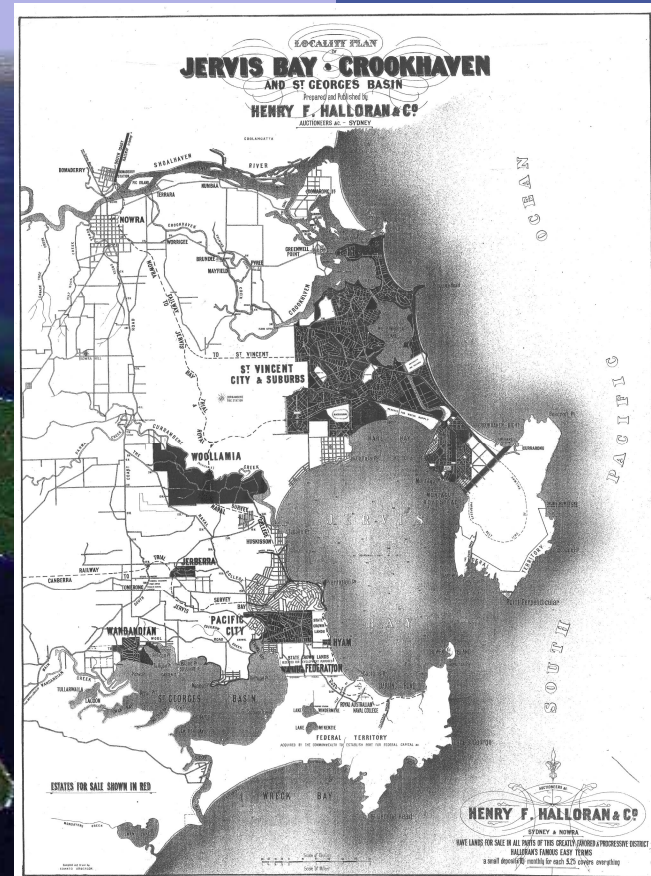
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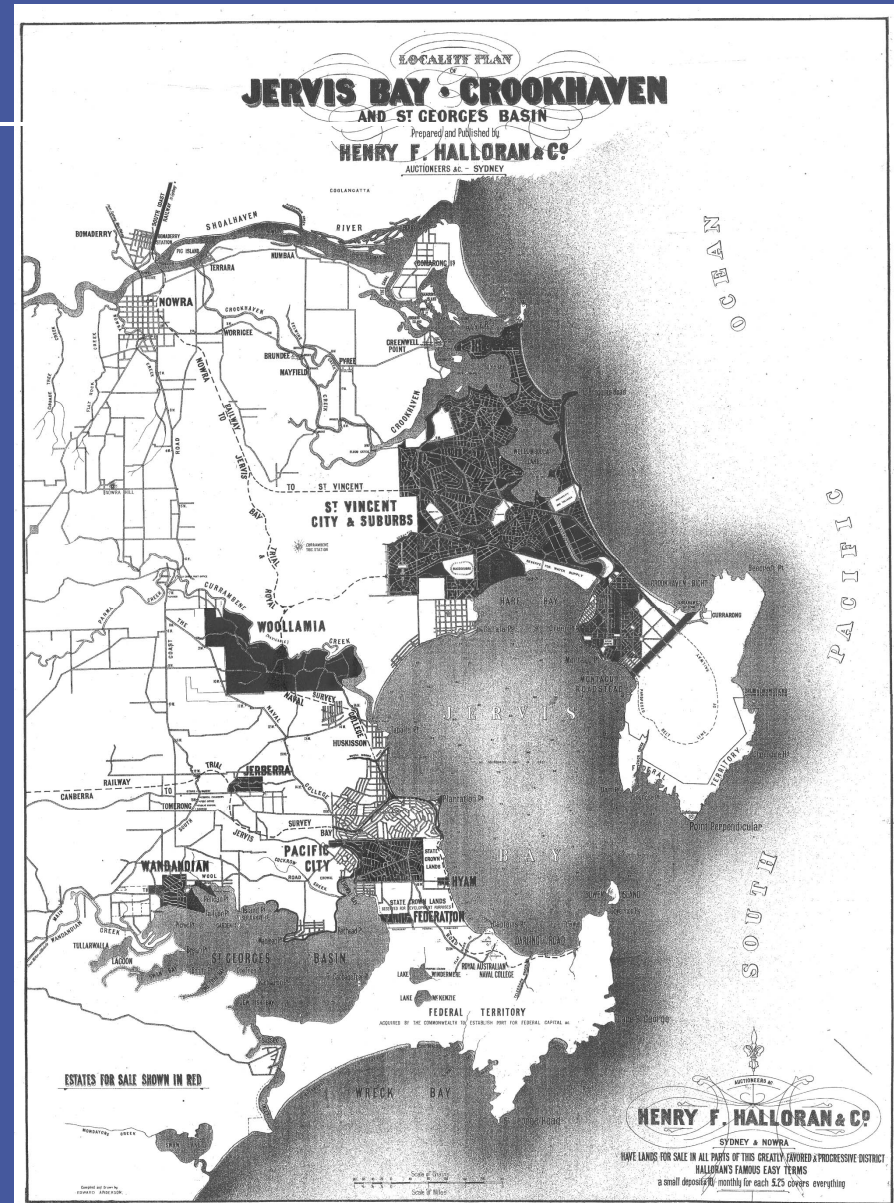
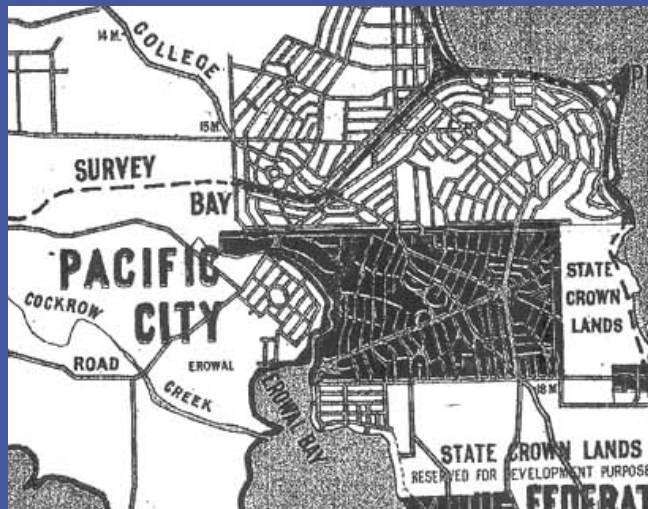
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# There was a time

when you could  
propose a  
coastal capital at  
Jervis Bay.....

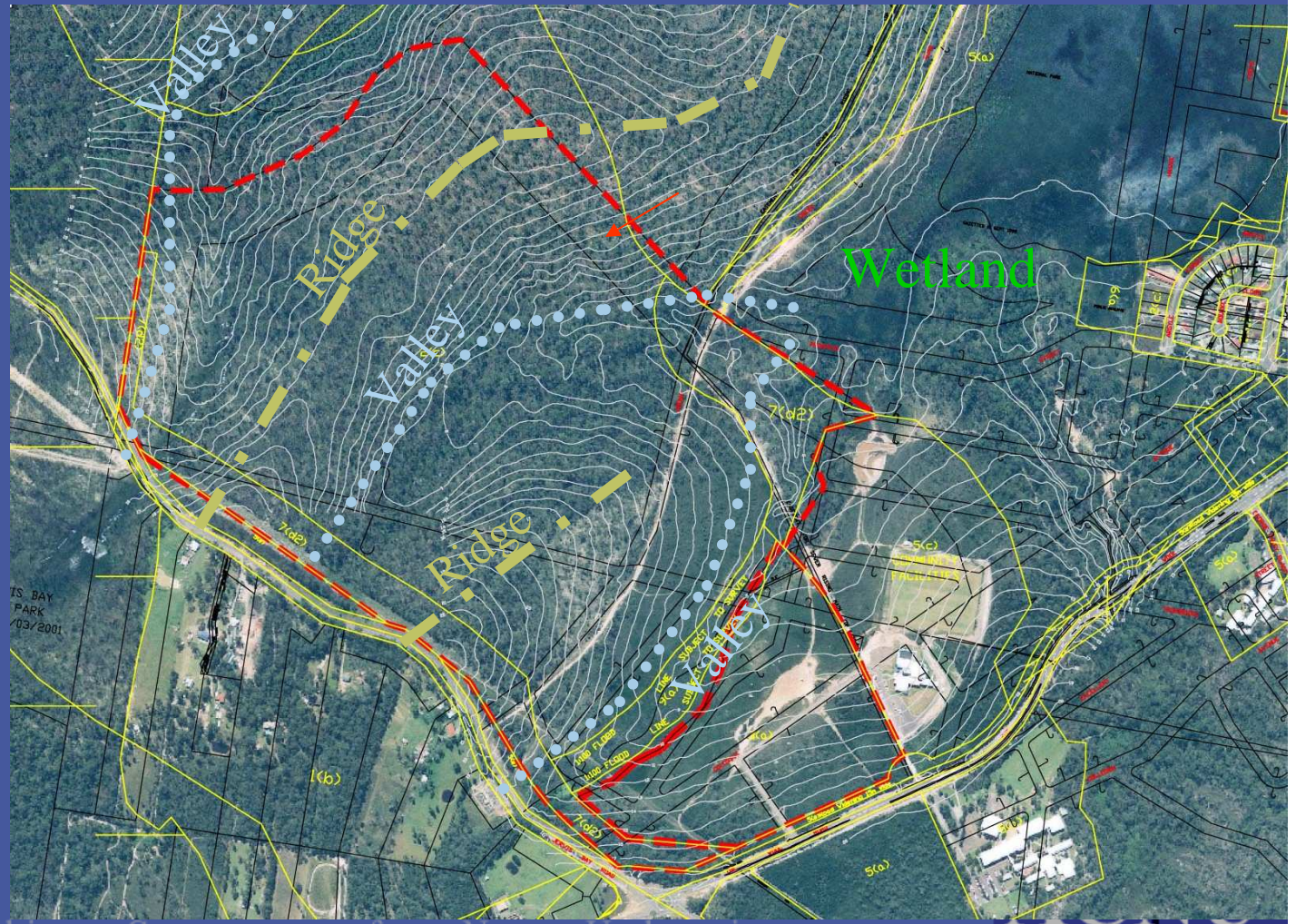


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# The Site





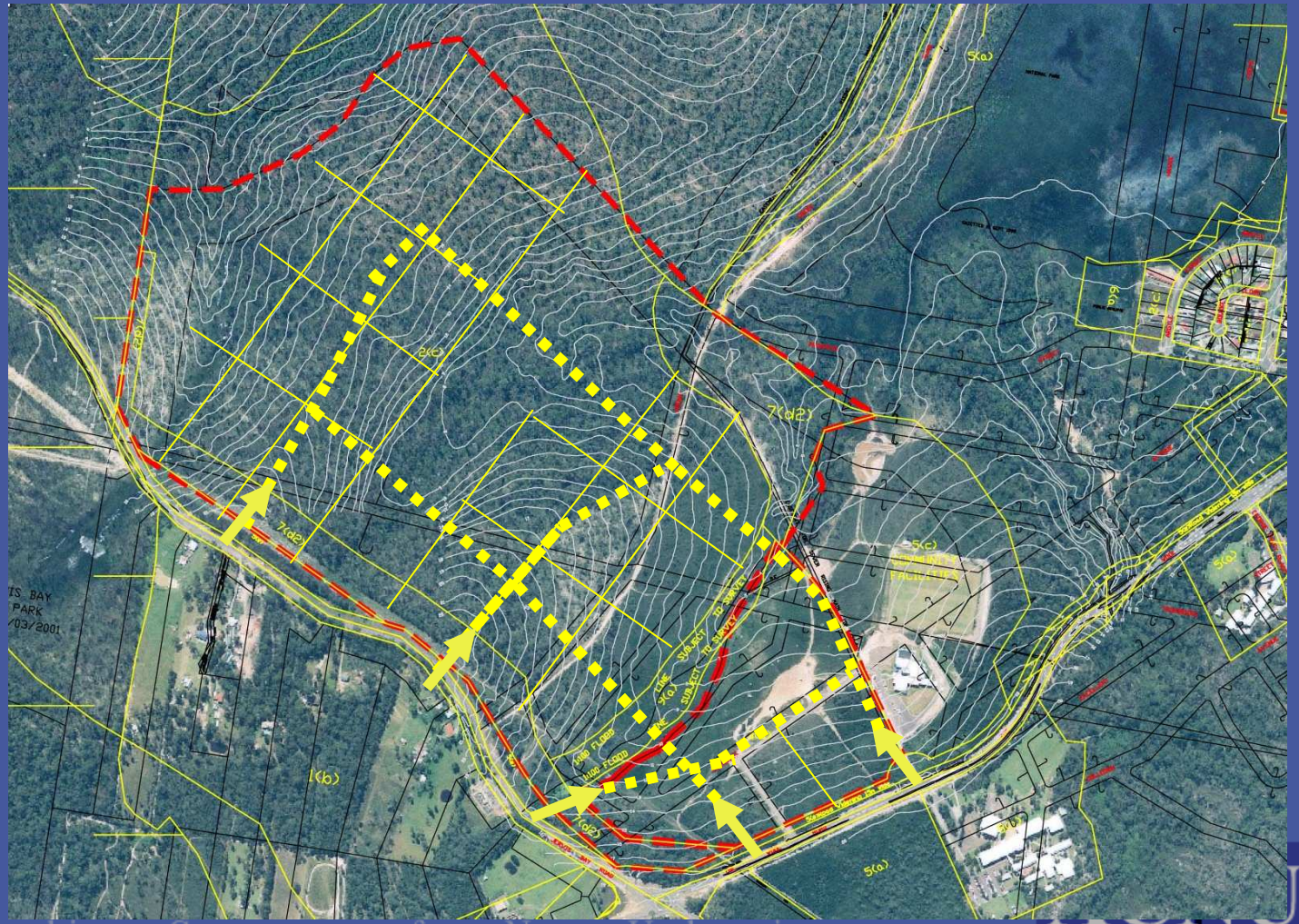








# Internal Connectivity

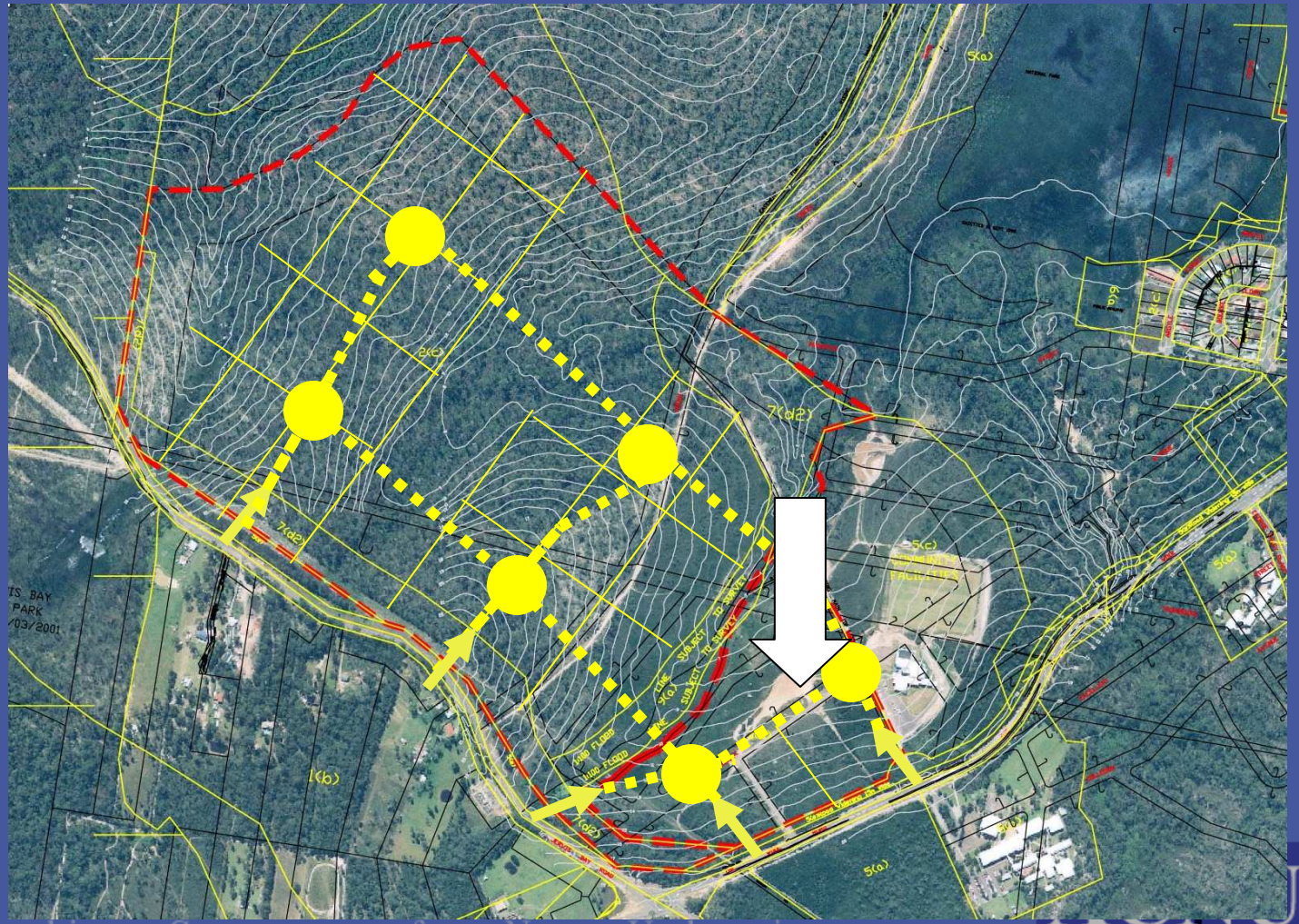




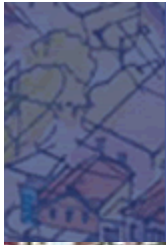




# Town Centre







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# Main Street

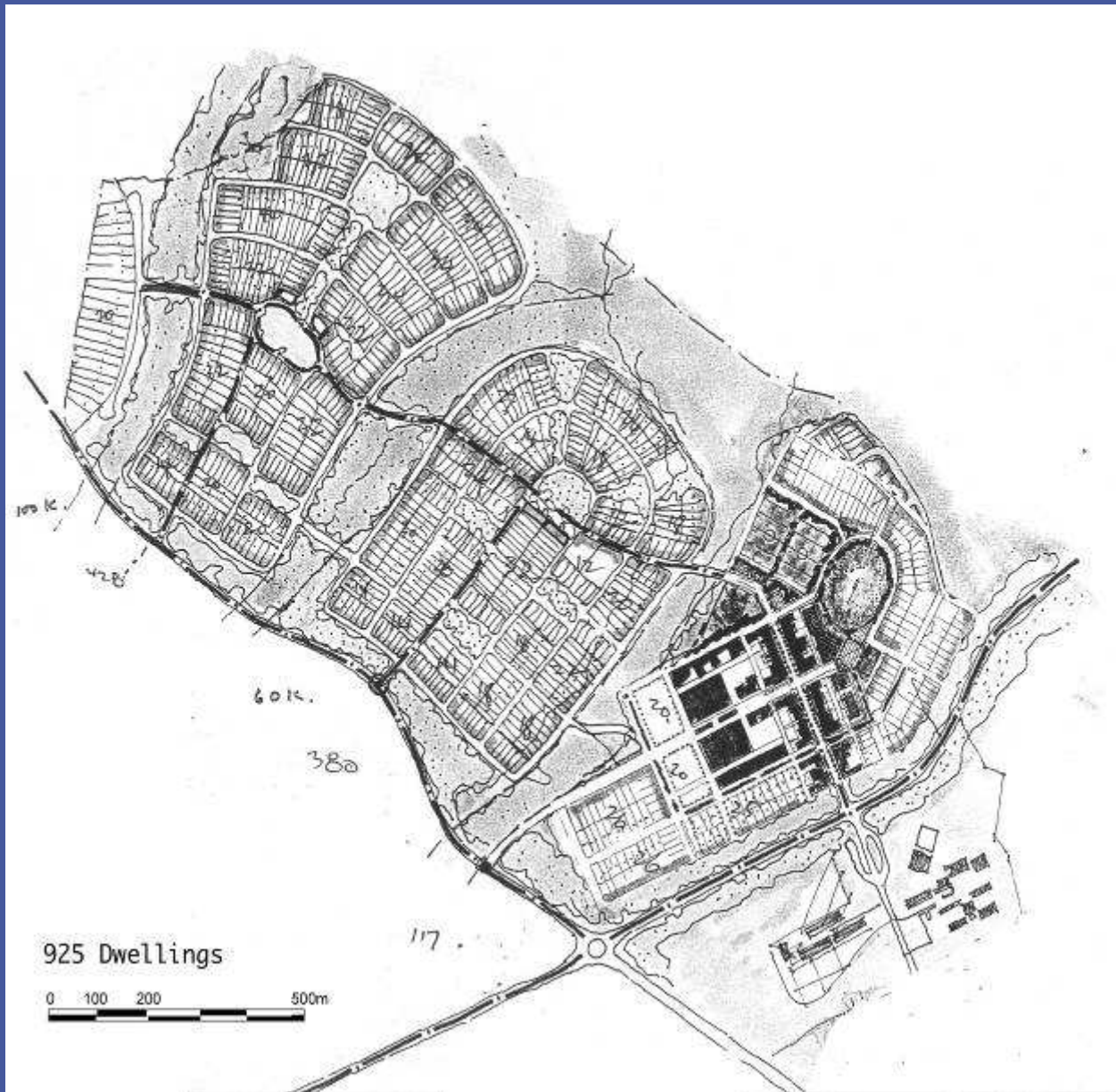


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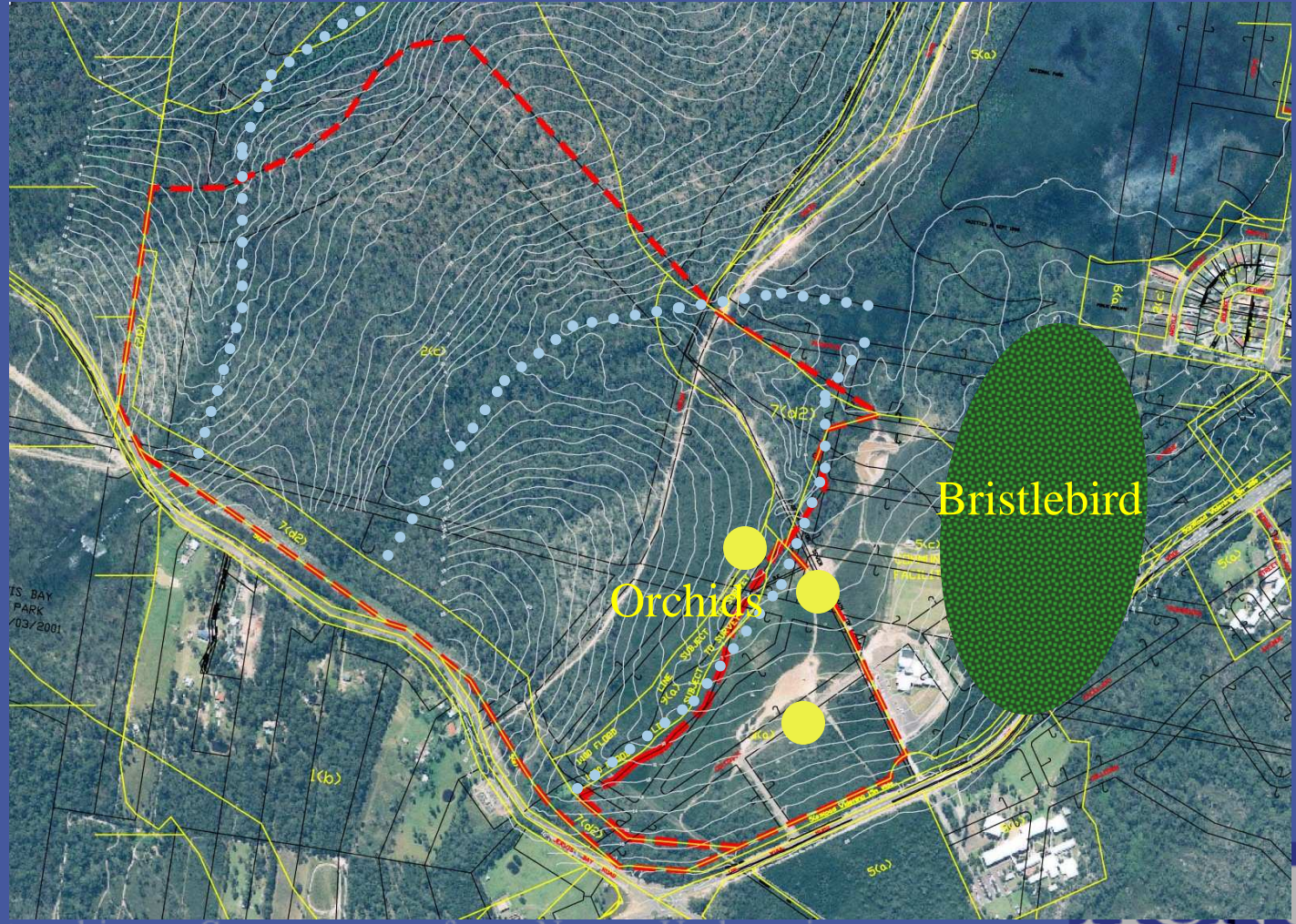


# Vincentia - 1996 Plan



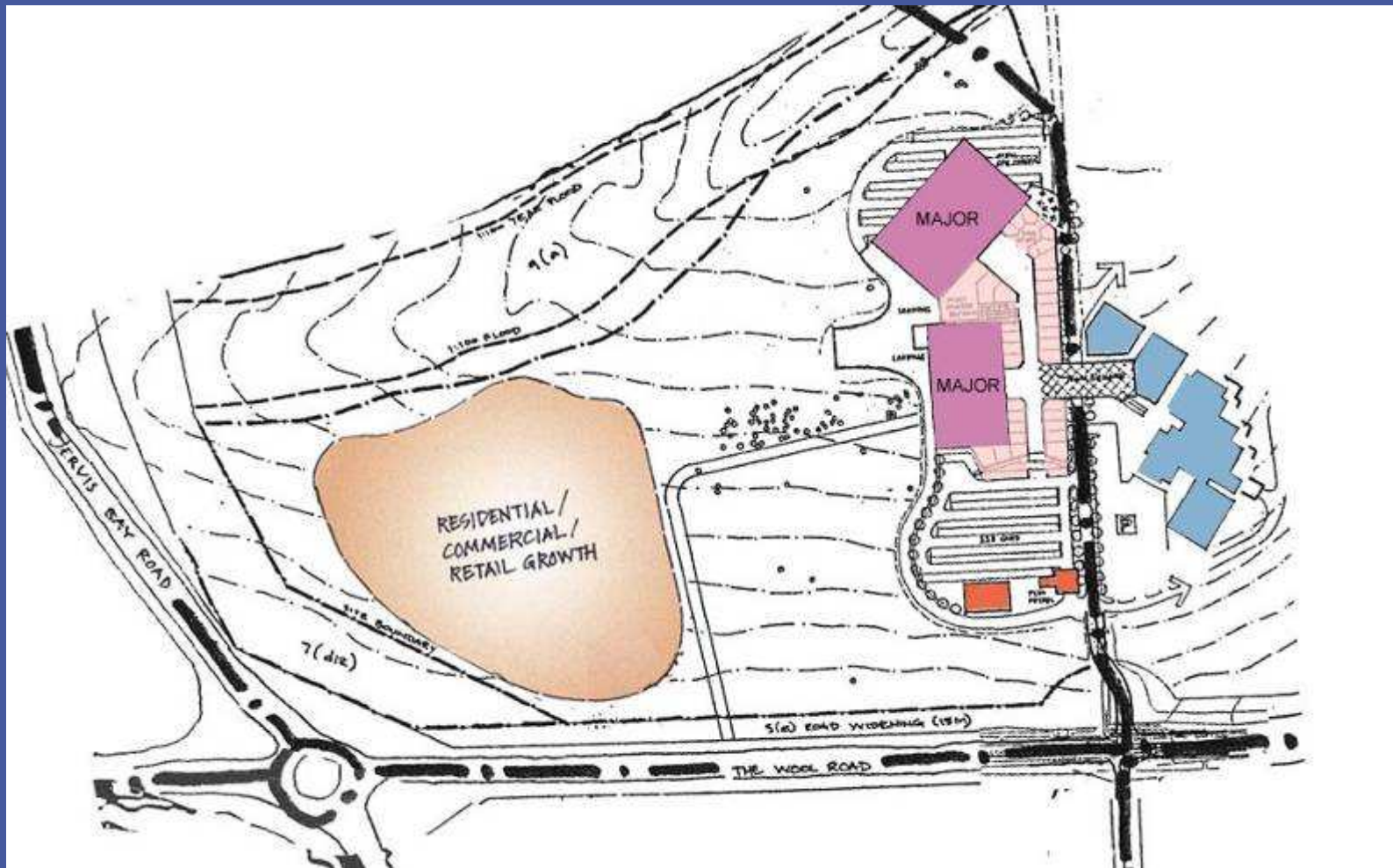


# Threatened Species



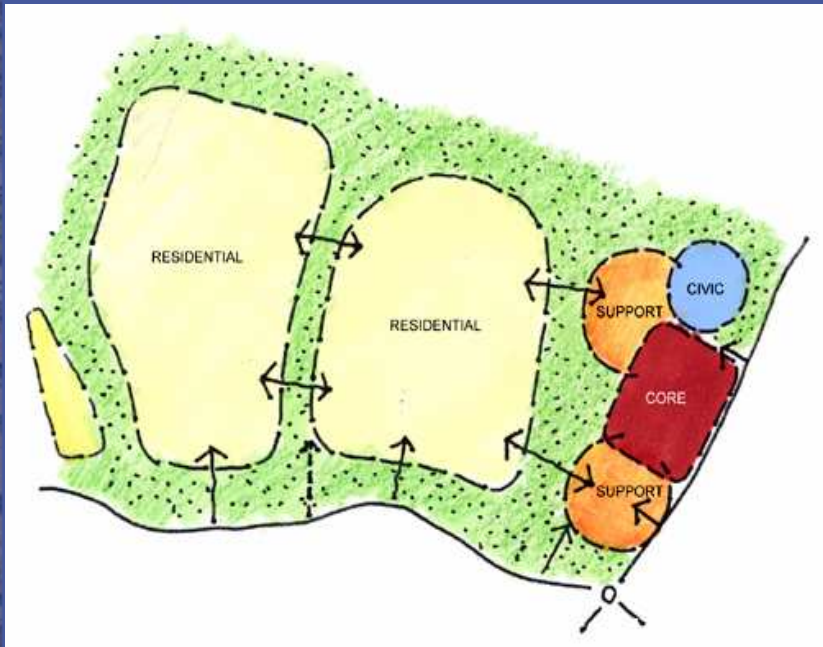


# Street Character





# The Long Accident Unfolds...



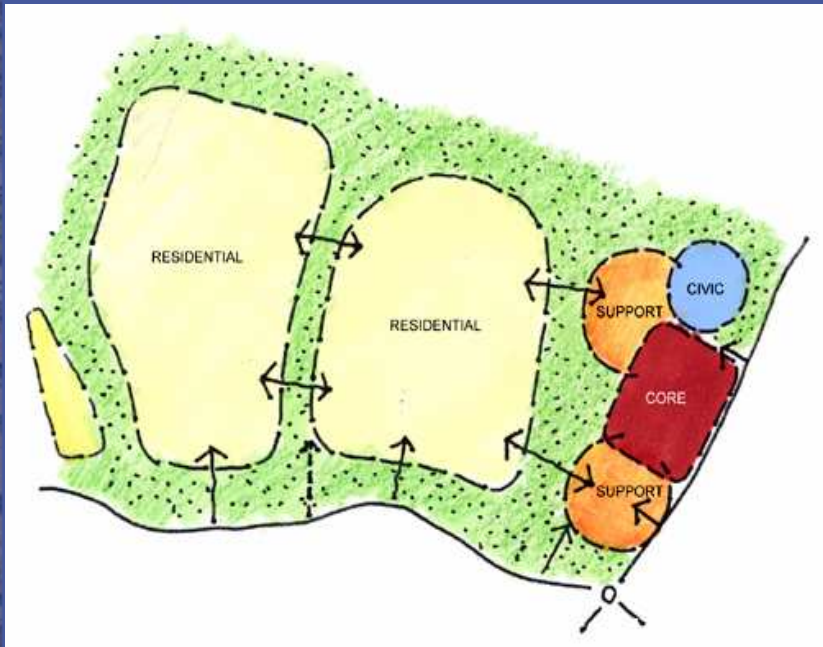
## Integrated Structure

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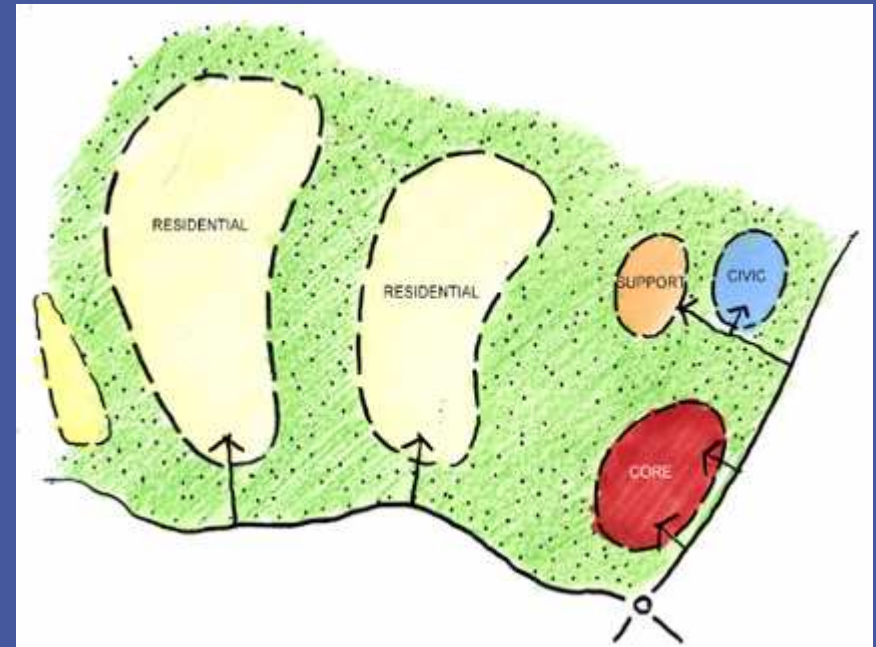
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# The Long Accident Unfolds



**Integrated Structure**



**Fractured Structure**



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# Suburbs-by-the-Sea



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# Exquisite, Expensive



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# Built Form Character



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# Habitat for Humans A Way Forward...

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# A Way Forward...

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- **Document** Good Urban Outcomes - Be scientific
- If the Community decides to develop an area, **LET IT DEVELOP**. It doesn't always have to have equal representations of urban and natural
- Use **trade-offs** to let the urban places to be urban
- Develop the idea of **environmental offsets** - pay for offsite habitat retention & enhancement

# A Way Forward...

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- Expose the prejudices of agencies to each other in **workshops** to let them hear other viewpoints
- Go to the Top of the Agency if Necessary
- Get **Political Intervention** if Necessary
- Use **Real examples** of Good Places to back up your case Stress that it's as much about how development happens as whether development happens (which is usually the only debate)
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# A Way Forward...

- Remind **EVERYONE** of The Bigger Picture

