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Minister for Lands and Planning

**Darwin Mid Suburbs Area Plan provides strategic framework for future growth**

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The NT Government is seeking more public comment in regards to the Darwin Mid Suburbs Area Plan.

Lands and Planning Minister David Tollner said the Plan now also incorporates the recommendations from the Darwin Flood Mitigation Advisory Committee to rezone flood risk areas along Rapid Creek road.

“The Darwin Mid Suburbs Area Plan is an important step in providing responsible strategic plans for Darwin for the next 40 to 50 years,” he said.

“The Plan provides a long-term strategic framework to anticipate and manage future growth and development in the area and is focused on ensuring future land use keeps pace with the changing needs of a growing community.”

Future growth in the Mid Suburbs will be focused to targeted areas, such as on Progress Drive near the Nightcliff shops, to provide housing options to future residents, ensuring the majority of the area will continue to enjoy the tropical characteristics that make up the Mid Suburbs.

Extensive infrastructure and traffic studies have also been completed to ensure all levels of government will be better able to plan for future upgrading to works where needs are identified in the area plan.

The Mid Suburbs includes the suburbs of Nightcliff, Rapid Creek, Millner, Coconut Grove and a portion of Ludmilla north of Ludmilla Creek.

“The Plan also outlines the essential infrastructure services required to manage the expected population growth over the longer term,” Mr Tollner said.

“In this Plan we have achieved a good balance in catering for growth in vibrant, liveable activity centres around transport corridors while also protecting the tropical character currently enjoyed in the surrounding localities.

“It provides a clear framework for growth that will guide development for many years to come.”

To learn more or provide feedback in regards to the Darwin Mid Suburbs Area Plan go to [https://www.ntlis.nt.gov.au/planning/lta.dar.list](https://www.ntlis.nt.gov.au/planning/lta.dar.list)
Written submissions can be made to: Director, Planning, Department of Lands, Planning and the Environment, GPO Box 1680, Darwin NT, 0801 or email: planning.dlpe@nt.gov.au

To learn more about the Darwin Mid Suburbs Area Plan go to http://www.planningcommission.nt.gov.au/dmsap

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