



Petition

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*"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." **Margaret Mead.***

DO YOU WANT TO PRESERVE COMMUNITY LAND?

WE, THE UNDERSIGNED, OPPOSE THE CONVERSION OF LAND RESERVED FOR COMMUNITY PURPOSES TO LAND TO BE USED BY DEVELOPERS FOR HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL PURPOSES.

WE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED THAT COMMUNITY PURPOSE LAND ADJACENT TO THE BOTANICAL GARDENS IS BEING CONSIDERED FOR HIGH RISE DEVELOPMENT AND THAT AN AREA OF THE BOTANICAL GARDENS MAY BE LOST TO ASSIST THAT DEVELOPMENT.

Response

The Northern Territory Planning Commission is currently preparing a draft Area Plan for the inner suburbs of Darwin. The land adjoining the Botanical Gardens is included within the study area for this draft Area Plan.

The Planning Commission will investigate the community infrastructure needs for the Darwin Inner Suburbs to inform the development of the Area Plan. This method will also be used for

developing Area Plans and Sub-Regional Plans in other locations in the Northern Territory with growth potential.

The Planning Commission will release a draft Area Plan for public consultation in October 2015. At that stage the Planning Commission will provide the results of its investigations into community infrastructure needs for the Darwin Inner Suburbs.

It is anticipated that the Planning Commission will present the finalised Area Plan for the Darwin Inner Suburbs to the Minister for Lands and Planning in early 2016.