

Statement of Policy conveyed to the Sydney City Council
and the Minister for Local Government.

"The Sydney Division of the Australian Planning Institute considers that the proper redevelopment of the city centre of Sydney requires the preparation of comprehensive block plans rather than piecemeal development proposals. Such comprehensive plans should be prepared within the framework of a City Planning Scheme which takes account of the need for control of the amount and use of floor space and adequate provision for traffic circulation.

This suggestion arose out of consideration by the Division of the Sydney Cove Redevelopment Project prepared by the Department of Town & Country Planning at Sydney University for the Sydney Cove Area Development Committee, 1962. It was noted with approval that the following objectives were embodied in the Scheme:-

- (i) Improved circulation for pedestrian and vehicular traffic with a substantial reduction in conflict between the two.
- (ii) The consolidation of land ownership into larger units such as permit more economic and efficient development.
- (iii) The regard given to the historical association of the area in the treatment of the water frontage of Sydney Cove and the provision for public squares and other open spaces.
- (iv) The careful attention paid to the relationship between buildings and the achievement of a human scale of buildings and an overall unity of design.
- (v) The practical proposals designed to facilitate the implementation of the project."

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