

10.7. Critical works - Wilson Road Reserve

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CSP LINK	Outcome 3 – An active community with space for everyone to exercise and enjoy the outdoors O4. Manage our open space and recreational facilities to ensure that they are well maintained and shared Outcome 8 – An effective, accountable and sustainable Council that serves the community G2. Put community needs at the core of everything we do and deliver excellent customer service

PURPOSE:

This report advises Council of the proposed reallocation of funding within the 2025-26 Capital Works program to undertake critical works within the Road Reserve at Wilson Street, Cammeray.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY:

- Council's *Delivery Program 2025–2029* and *Operational Plan 2025-2026* note that “project prioritisation may change in response to emerging infrastructure risks, and that if this occurs, funding will need to be redirected accordingly”.
- Critical works to the sandstone embankment within the Wilson Street Road Reserve, which backs onto a residential property at 24 Arkland Street Cammeray have been identified, due to damage to the property and an active safety risk.
- It is proposed that \$110,000 be reallocated from the 2025/26 kerb and gutter renewal program to fund these works.

RECOMMENDATION:

- 1. THAT** Council note the contents of this report regarding critical works required within the Road Reserve at Wilson Street, Cammeray and that these works are estimated to be in the order of \$110,000.
- 2. THAT** Council endorse the reallocation of \$110,000 from the Kerb and Gutter renewal program within the 2025/26 Capital Works Program to address the critical works required within the Road Reserve at Wilson Street.
- 3. THAT** Council's adopted budget be updated in the next quarterly budget review to reflect the changes outlined in this report.
- 4. THAT** reporting items for the *Delivery Program 2025–2029* and *Operational Plan 2025-2026* be updated in the next quarterly progress report to reflect the changes outlined in this report.

Background

Council's Delivery Program 2025-2029 and Operational Plan 2025-2026 note that project prioritisation may change in response to emerging infrastructure risks, and that if this occurs, funding will need to be redirected accordingly.

Report

Residents of 24 Arkland Street, Cammeray contacted Council regarding a fallen sandstone boulder from Wilson Road Reserve which is located at the rear of their property. The fallen rock damaged the timber patio within the property.



An initial inspection indicated that the section of the cliff top has become unstable due to natural weathering and/or wet weather. The residents were advised not to use their rear yard until Council completed further investigations, and the cliff face was declared to be safe.

An inspection was subsequently conducted by a consulting Structural Engineer. The findings of the site inspection included a professional evaluation of the current geotechnical and structural stability of the slope and offered a viable remediation strategies to address the cliff faces stability and to address the current safety issue.

The remediation approach proposes the installation of a steel net across the face of the cliff wall, which will be tied back to the cliff face using steel rods and other fixtures. The net will capture unstable material should any movement occur in the future. These works are estimated to be in the order of \$110,000.

Consultation requirements

Outside of the affected property owners, no community engagement or consultation has been conducted, and no community engagement or consultation is proposed.

Financial/Resource Implications

The 2025/26 Capital Works Program has \$350k currently remaining for kerb and gutter renewals across North Sydney. Given the critical nature of the works at Wilson Street, it is proposed reallocated \$110,000 from this program to fund these works.

Legislation

NSW Local Government Act 1993