

KURILPA FUTURES' KEY ISSUES FOR THE STATE ELECTION

Kurilpa Futures' overall aim is to ensure that development on the Kurilpa Peninsula meets the needs of the residents of, and visitors to, South Brisbane and the wider Brisbane community. Let's put people and communities before developers

Specific policies relevant to voters' choices concerning the forthcoming State election are:

GREEN SPACE

1. There is a pressing need throughout the electorate to ensure that **new developments** are accompanied by **publicly accessible and genuine green space** to rectify existing open space deficiencies. West End is currently the suburb with the lowest proportion of open space in the city and Woolloongabba is experiencing rapidly increasing densities without significant matching open space provision.
2. There is an urgent requirement to designate **new substantial parklands** in the electorate, including making use of the obsolescent and nearly time-expired industrial uses on the Kurilpa Peninsula to include substantial areas of open and play space on the city's Southside akin to the proposed Victoria Park on the North side.
3. **Pocket parks** are needed for play and mental and physical health. Previous *Local Government Act* provisions should be restored, requiring donation or provision of 10% of the application area for new open space for all multi dwelling applications. Alternatively, this could be written into amendments of *2016 Planning Act or to the Local Govt Act*.
4. Redundant road space should be identified, surveyed and repurposed for **local amenity areas, community gardens and pocket parks**

Voting intentions: KF will support candidate platforms containing firm proposals to address the above needs to re-green West End, and recognise the whole Kurilpa Peninsula as a walkable green inner suburb. This involves both positive proposals for networked open space and requirements to replace space and vegetation involved in new residential and transport developments. These concerns apply equally to Woolloongabba and South Brisbane

MOVEMENT

1. More emphasis is required on **walking and cycling throughout the Peninsula** in the interests of health, safety and environment to mitigate climate change. Support for State Government/ City Council cooperation to implement the **South Brisbane Transport and Mobility Study** through the new **Active Transport Committee**- which should be given specified delegated powers and roles.
2. **Rat running through West End** should be reduced by ensuring the Dornoch Terrace/Montague Rd route is not used for outer suburban journeys to work.
3. Continued dialogue with council transport planners is required on the siting and design of proposed new Green Bridges to protect existing open space and visual amenity.

4. The scale of **new development approvals** should be limited to **match traffic generation imperatives** - to avoid the repetition of problems resulting from the addition of nearly 2,000 new parking spaces in West End's neighbourhood centre - currently under construction in "West Village".

Voting intentions: KF will support candidate platforms that commit to specific active transport proposals linked to vehicular traffic restraint and prevention of rat running through residential areas.

DEVELOPMENT

KF have prepared and submitted to State Government and City Council a **Paper** entitled ***Towards an integrated Planning Strategy for the Kurilpa Peninsula***, which can be found at: https://kurilpafutures.files.wordpress.com/2019/03/kf-planning- document_final_complete.pdf

Particular aspects directly relevant to the forthcoming 2020 election are as follows:

1. **A new District Plan** is needed, prepared under **Section 18 of Planning Act** to supersede the obsolete and damaging *South Brisbane Riverside Neighbourhood Plan (SBRNP)* to restrict development intensities, height, bulk and site coverage to allowable development standards and link all new proposals to specified provisions in the accompanying *Local Government Infrastructure Plan*. Current SBRNP provisions would allow increase of the area's current population from around 20,000 to nearly 100,000. (Similar concerns also apply throughout the Inner suburbs to the existing 24 assorted Neighbourhood, Riverside, Strategy and Master Plans)
2. **The existing character, income mix, diversity and ages** of the area's population needs to be maintained by ensuring that all new developments include an appropriate proportion of affordable and social housing. This could be achieved by "inclusionary zoning" (which would require inclusion of 15-20% of such housing in all major new developments in conjunction with **Not For Profit Housing** agencies such as the **Brisbane Housing Company** and the city's many faith-based housing organisations as well as the Qld. Department of Housing and Public Works. Neither of the state's major parties have yet committed to such a policy.
3. **Amendments to the Planning Act** should specify Standards not Performance Based Planning, to restore trust in Planning system, and prevent its manipulation by dubious "Greenwash" and "Design Delight" deals.
4. **New Plans** should be tied to Local Government Infrastructure Plans & Programs for in- ground, green transport and social infrastructure, including schools, meeting rooms and health support.
5. **South Bank Gardens** new **Master Plan** should include proposals for improved integration with surrounding areas and consideration for a pedestrian concourse from the South Bank Gardens to West End, probably along Russell Street.

Voting intentions: KF will support candidate platforms that accompany general good intentions by specific commitment to:

- A new District Plan for the area
- Inclusionary Zoning of affordable and social housing
- Plans with firm indications of liveability criteria- height, site coverage, plot ratio and setbacks.
- Proposals to link development plans and permissions to infrastructure plans and commitments.