

006 Warwick Farm

Project Name: Warwick Farm: A Place to Live

Location: Sydney, Australia

Theme: Strategy

Type: Masterplan

Client: Mauro Poletti

Size: 115 m²

Date and Duration: 2013 - On-going

Status: Complete

Think Framework - NOT Masterplan

Making livable and sustainable habitats for people is a great challenge today.

The vision is to create a vibrant, sustainable, healthy and unique urban village where the value of all social networks are high and people want and can stay for their whole lifetime. Warwick Farm should be setting the standard for building 21st century communities in Australia.

The color of Warwick farm is its people. The masterplan design process needs to start with the life, then the space, and lastly the buildings. A human focus is what will make this development successful. We will need to get that right before anything else.

Warwick Farm, as a suburb of Sydney, needs to be urbanized. It needs to become a place where there is life on the streets at all hours, so that people feel safe and take part in the community. Urbanizing Warwick Farm is about creating a mixed-used community, a sustainable suburb with a strong local identity.

In Warwick Farm the vision is to create a high quality urban environment which invites people to use the urban space both because they have to and want to at the same time.

I remember how it used to be in Warwick Farm twenty years ago. I didn't feel safe at all. But improvements to the public spaces is great. It's a pleasure to walk down the centre and into the squares and parks.

It feels a lot safer too. I don't worry when my grandchild goes out to meet her friends. At night, the streets have activity spilling out from local restaurants and bars, and the lighting is very good so I tend to walk home when I get of work and leave Liverpool Hospital.

On Saturdays, I take a big circular walk around Warwick Farm and tie it in with meeting my friends for a chat, in one of the cafés on Munday Street and doing my weekly shopping in the local grocery store as well.

Maria, Nurse, 62, about public spaces in Warwick Farm

