

5.10 Stanmore North

History and Context

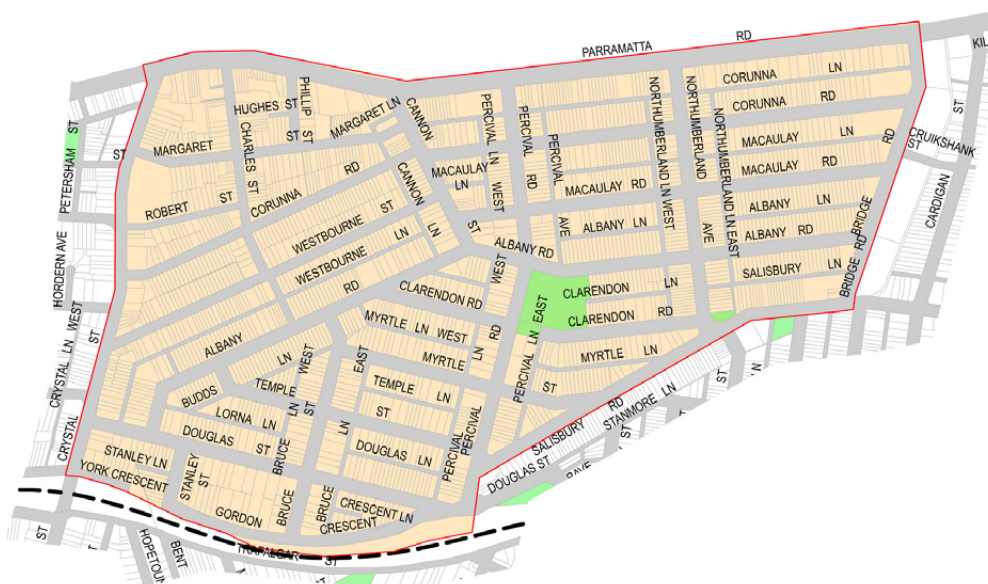
Stanmore North is an established residential suburb, with some commercial land use. It is the smallest precinct in area and is located to the northern side of the municipality. Stanmore was named after an early property in the area, which was named after a suburb in London.

Settlement of the area dates from 1799, with the land used mainly for farming. Population growth took place between 1835 and 1860, with more substantial development during the late 1800s and early 1900s, aided by the opening of the Stanmore railway station in 1878. Expansion continued during the post-war years, with many flats constructed and a number of larger villas converted into boarding houses. The population and dwelling types have been relatively stable from the mid 1990s. Much of the area today is identified as a heritage conservation area.

The precinct is bounded by Parramatta Road in the north, Bridge Road and Salisbury Road in the east, the railway line in the south, and Crystal Street in the west. Major features of the area include the varied retail areas along Parramatta Road, Weekley Park, and Whiteley Reserve.

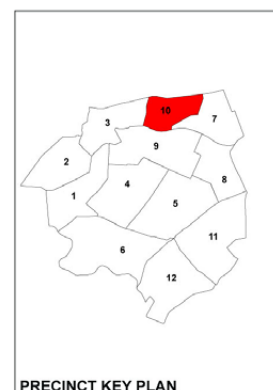
Physical Influences

Stanmore North at 71.9ha (4.5% of total area) is the smallest precinct in the LGA. Generally, the streets are a generous width with verges between 1.8 – 3.5m wide with a grassed strip and adjoining footpath pavement. Several of the streets are long and run parallel to Parramatta Road in an East-West direction, giving a strong north and south side of the street.



LEGEND

-  Public open space
-  Railway



The area is relatively flat or gently sloping, with mainly shale derived clay soils. The conditions for tree planting are favourable in this area, with soils having a high nutrient and water holding capacity, although it is expected that many areas will have highly disturbed soil profiles due to the intensive development and the installation of services.

Existing Streetscape Character

Despite Stanmore North being a small size, the precinct is reasonably well treed with some 1,730 street trees (7.66% of total tree population). Most streets have a very diverse mix of tree species, with *Sapium sebiferum* (Chinese Tallow) and *Pyrus calleryana* (Callery Pear) making a significant contribution to the species mix. Similar to other precincts, *Callistemon viminalis* (Bottlebrush) is the overly dominant species, contributing to 21.62% of tree species in the precinct. Generally, there is opportunity to plant more medium size trees across the precinct, whilst also considering suitable species to the southern side of the east-west streets.

Stanmore North is defined by:

- The heritage character of the area particularly punctuated by many small residential flat buildings and villas built during the 1800s and early 1900s.

Current Dominant Species

Botanical Name	No. of trees	Percentage (%)
<i>Callistemon viminalis</i>	374	21.62%
<i>Melaleuca bracteata</i>	164	9.48%
<i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	156	9.02%
<i>Sapium sebiferum</i>	112	6.47%
<i>Pyrus calleryana</i>	99	5.72%
Proportion of total species mix	905	52.31%
Total number of trees	1730	100.00%

Precinct Objectives

- To enhance the streetscape with street trees of appropriate scale and form.
- To respect the established and desirable street tree characters.
- To reinforce the residential character through a mix of deciduous and evergreen tree planting that respond to the street typology.
- To reduce the heavy reliance on *Callistemon viminalis* (Bottlebrush).
- Maintain and provide plantings that are sympathetic to the heritage values of the area.



Figure 5.21- Cannon St, Stanmore (Photo Arterra)

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Street Name	Power Lines	Verge Type	Existing Dominant	Proposed Species	Key Observations
Albany Road	Overhead (Even and Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Jacaranda mimosifolia</i> <i>alternating with Lophostemon confertus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Leptospermum petersonii</i> (under wires)	Very diverse tree species mix. Excellent example of Lemon Scented Tea Tree on this street.
Bridge Road	ABC	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> cv.	<i>Corymbia maculata</i> , <i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i>	Continue with recently planted Pears and <i>Corymbia</i> sp.
Bruce Street	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Fraxinus pennsylvanica</i> (opposite wires) <i>Murraya paniculata</i> (under wires)	
Cannon Street	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> <i>Eucalyptus nicholii</i>	<i>Angophora costata</i> (in road blister) <i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (in verge)	Continue with existing theme of Eucalypts and Chinese Tallow. ABC a priority in this street to allow Chinese Tallows to reach their mature biological size. Possible blister / inroad planting.
Charles Street	Overhead (Odd)	Narrow (<1.8m)	Mixed	<i>Melaleuca bracteata</i> (opposite wires) <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> (under wires)	Narrow street and verge width 1.8m. Wires are ABC north of Margaret Street.
Clarendon Road	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Callistemon viminalis</i> cv. <i>Corymbia maculata</i>	<i>Corymbia maculata</i> (opposite wires) <i>Buckinghamia celsissima</i> (under wires)	Continue with existing theme opposite wires
Corunna Road	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Melaleuca bracteata</i> (opposite wires, btn Cannon St & Crystal St) <i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (opposite wires - btn Cannon St & Bridge Rd) <i>Backhousia citriodora</i> (under wires)	45 degree parking to section of street. Replace Paperbarks.
Crystal Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i>	Busy commercial road, one side grass and path. Recommend ABC a priority.
Douglas Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Pyrus calleryana</i> cv. <i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i>	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Pyrus calleryana</i> 'Chanticleer', <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> (under wires)	Strong theme of Callery Pears and Water Gums. Room for larger tree opposite wires.
Gordon Crescent	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> (under wires)	Street runs parallel with railway line. Continue with Brush Box opposite wires. Prestigious detached homes along this street.
Macaulay Road	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i> , <i>Stenocarpus sinuatus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i> (under wires)	Newly planted row of <i>Stenocarpus sinuatus</i> between Percival Road and Cannon Street
Margaret Street between Cannon Street and Charles Street	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Elaeocarpus eumundi</i> (opposite wires, outside TAFE towards Crystal St) <i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i> (both sides)	New plantings of Water Gum. Jacarandas growing under wires
Myrtle Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Pistacia chinensis</i> (opposite wires) <i>Acmena smithii</i> var. <i>minor</i> , <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> (under wires)	Very quiet street. Replace existing Paperbarks under wires. Continue with Chinese Pistachio
Northumberland Avenue	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Corymbia maculata</i> , <i>Callistemon salignus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Buckinghamia celsissima</i> (under wires)	Canary Island Date Palm in middle of roundabout.
Parramatta Road between Crystal Street and Bridge Road	Overhead (Even)	Medium (3.5-5m)	-	-	No existing trees. No space due to awnings
Percival Road	None or UG	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Liriodendron tulipifera</i> (blister plantings near Temple St) <i>Corymbia maculata</i> (opposite wires) <i>Harpullia pendula</i> (under wires)	No planting in front of park. Portion of street has overhead wires and some is underground toward railway station.
Phillip Street	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Melaleuca bracteata</i>	<i>Elaeocarpus eumundi</i> (opposite wires) <i>Tristaniopsis laurina</i> (under wires)	Short street, make ABC a priority.

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Street Name	Power Lines	Verge Type	Existing Dominant	Proposed Species	Key Observations
Robert Street	Overhead (Odd)	Narrow (<1.8m)	-	-	Tafe on street, verge 1.3m no trees on street. Recommend no planting.
Salisbury Road	Overhead (Even)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i> <i>Sapium sebiferum</i>	<i>Pyrus ussuriensis</i> , <i>Sapium sebiferum</i> (opposite wires) <i>Harpullia pendula</i> (under wires)	Busy arterial road.
Stanley Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> <i>Celtis australis</i>	<i>Sapium sebiferum</i> , <i>Celtis australis</i> (both sides)	Short street, recommend ABC a priority. Continue with existing species.
Temple Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Lophostemon confertus</i> (opposite wires) <i>Lagerstroemia indica</i> (under wires)	Quiet street. Continue with existing Brush Box theme opposite wires, and Crepe Myrtle under wires.
Westbourne Street	Overhead (Odd)	Small (<1.8-3.5m)	Mixed	<i>Melaleuca bracteata</i> (opposite wires) <i>Acmena smithii var. minor</i> (under wires)	



Figure 5.22- Salisbury Road, Stanmore is one of the more major and attractive streets in the precinct and has a well developed canopy dominated by *Pyrus ussuriensis* (Manchurian Pear) (Photo Arterra)