

## FAQ'S

### REZONING PART 9 SECTION 33 GARRAN

#### GARRAN PRIMARY SCHOOL MODERNISATION PROJECT

##### **1. What is a Territory Plan?**

The Territory Plan is a legislative instrument used by the ACT Government to control development in the ACT.

It controls what types of buildings can be built in particular zones.

##### **2. What is a Territory Plan Variation (TPV) and why is it needed?**

A Territory Plan Variation (TPV) is the process by which an application is made to the ACT Government to change the Territory Plan to allow a particular type of building to be built in a particular zone.

To allow for the Garran Primary School to be modernised and expanded, the site will need to be rezoned to allow for education use.

##### **3. What is Purdon's role in the TPV and this consultation?**

Purdon Planning is a private consulting firm that provides strategic planning, statutory planning, master planning, environmental assessment and community consultation services.

Purdon Planning has been engaged by ACT Education Directorate to prepare a Planning Study to support the application for a Territory Plan Variation.

To support this Planning Study, Purdon are undertaking community consultation on the proposed TPV with the local community, on behalf of the ACT Government.

Anyone seeking to change the Territory Plan is obliged to consult with the community on the proposed change.

#### **4. What development is proposed on this area?**

No development is being proposed at this stage.

This consultation is being conducted on the Territory Plan Variation proposal only.

#### **5. Why has this area been selected?**

This portion of land is contiguous (adjoining) to the existing school and preschool site which are both CF-Community Facility zoned.

Avoiding any works or impact on the Garran Oval, this portion of land will allow the Garran School (preschool to year 6) to be modernised to improve indoor and outdoor learning and play areas and provide opportunity to improve access to the school away from the Canberra Hospital and Gilmore Street.

#### **6. Will trees be removed?**

A Tree Assessment study will be undertaken as part of the Planning Study. The Tree Assessment and Planning Study will inform the design process.

The Territory's goal is to minimise their footprint on the existing Urban Open Space, this will include maintaining as many existing trees as possible. Any trees removed will be replaced to meet the Territory's commitment of Urban Tree Planting and the Canberra Living Infrastructure Plan. Noting that the TPV process needs to commence before further studies can be undertaken.

#### **7. Is there expected to be an impact on traffic as a result of this?**

A Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment will be undertaken as part of this Planning Study.

All traffic impacts will be assessed as part of the Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment. Solutions to any identified traffic impacts will be addressed through design stage of this process.

The Master Planning design process has commenced with various options being considered. ACT Education Directorate will facilitate future

engagement with the school community and local community once designs are explored further.

#### **8. Will access be moved to Robson Street?**

All school road access impacts will be considered as part of the Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment.

The Master Planning design process has commenced and revised traffic access and car parking options are being investigated to improve safe access to the school and community use facilities.

ACT Education Directorate will facilitate engagement with the school community and local community once Master Plan design options have been explored further.

#### **9. Currently there is “No Parking” along this section of Robson Street. Will this be changed?**

The design work for the school modernisation is confined to the school site, preschool site and the proposed TPV area. Any school road access impacts will be considered as part of the Traffic and Parking Impact Assessment.

#### **10. What does Community Facility (CF) zoning allow for?**

Community Facility (CF) allows for a range of community related uses.

However, this proposed TPV will be to allow for Education Establishment only.

#### **11. When will development begin?**

At this stage, only the TPV is being proposed which will allow for consideration of development in this area.

The Master Planning process has commenced, with different design options being investigated.

ACT Education Directorate will facilitate engagement with the school community and local community once options have been explored further.

**12. Has parking for construction workers been considered?**

The design team will not address this issue until late in the design process.

Suggestions on this question will be welcome when ACT Education Directorate engages with the community on the design.

**13. Will construction works occur during school times?**

The design team will not address this issue until late in the design process.

It is likely construction work will be required to take place during standard business hours.

**14. Will construction be in stages to avoid disruption to school times?**

Construction planning cannot commence until the TPV and design works are further progressed.

Construction activities will seek to avoid disruption to school operations and the surrounding community. Detailed communications will be developed closer to the commencement of works and opportunities to meet and discuss the project including construction related impacts will be arranged by ACT Education Directorate.

**15. Will the Garran oval be retained?**

Yes. No development is proposed on the Garran Oval.

The Garran Oval is not a school asset, it is under the custodianship of Transport Canberra City Services TCCS – ACT Sport and Recreation.

**16. What about the Garran Surge Centre?**

The Garran Surge Centre is independent of this project. It is understood that the Surge Centre is a temporary facility and the oval will be restored.

#### **17. Will the car park near the scout hall be removed?**

At this stage, a TPV is only proposed to allow for the consideration of development in the identified area.

The Master Planning design process has commenced and different options are being investigated.

ACT Education Directorate will facilitate engagement with the school community and local community once options have been explored further.

#### **18. Where can I find further information?**

Further information on the Garran Primary School modernisation project can be found at [https://www.garranps.act.edu.au/school\\_modernisation](https://www.garranps.act.edu.au/school_modernisation)