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Camden Airport

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6.1 General Locality

Camden Airport is located approximately 60 kilometres south-west of the Sydney Central Business District and lies entirely within the City of Camden. The majority of the airport site is located on the floodplain of the Nepean River and is bounded on the south, west and north by the Nepean River and Macquarie Grove Road to the east.

The Airport comprises 196 hectares of gently sloping, broad open land with a ridge rising above the 1 in 100 year flood plain. The ridge enables airport users and visitors to have views over the floodplain to the nearby historic town of Camden both on approach to and at the airport.

The locality plan for Camden Airport is provided in Figure 4. The notable features of the Camden Airport location include:

- semi-rural setting – Camden Airport is located in the outer most south western region of the Sydney metropolitan area. The airport is predominantly surrounded by farmland and semi rural residential blocks; and
- character of the airport – the character of Camden Airport is derived from its historic links to the Macarthur family and the airport’s role during World War II; and
- serviced by rural transport links – Camden Airport has one primary motor vehicle access point off Macquarie Grove Road to the east. The airport is located some distance from any main suburban arterial road.

6.2 Existing Land Uses

An aerial photograph of Camden Airport is provided in Figure 5 and a current land use layout is provided in Figure 6. Both the aerial photograph and the current land use layout highlight the fact that Camden Airport is predominantly used for aviation purposes, with significant areas of land currently unutilised.

Of the 196 hectares at Camden Airport, 47.6 hectares are currently leased to around 45 tenants. The total area leased is dominated by two tenancies of 36.0 hectares and 8.2 hectares respectively. The tenants at Camden primarily fall into commercial aviation, recreational aviation and rural categories. Large parts of Camden Airport fall within the 1 in 100 year flood plain.

6.3 Land Use in Adjoining and Surrounding Areas

The land immediately surrounding Camden Airport is relatively undeveloped and predominantly has an agricultural use. The Airport lies adjacent to a Special Use zone (5c) and Rural zones (1a and 1c).

In summary, the land use in adjoining and surrounding areas includes:

- **south, east & north of the Airport**
 - the majority of the land to in these directions is used for agricultural purposes, predominantly grazing. The land is sparsely developed from a residential perspective. The Nepean River acts as a buffer between the airport and these areas; and
- **west of the airport**
 - although the Nepean River also acts as a buffer to the west, the land in this area adjacent to the airport also incorporates low density residential activity, as well as rural activity.

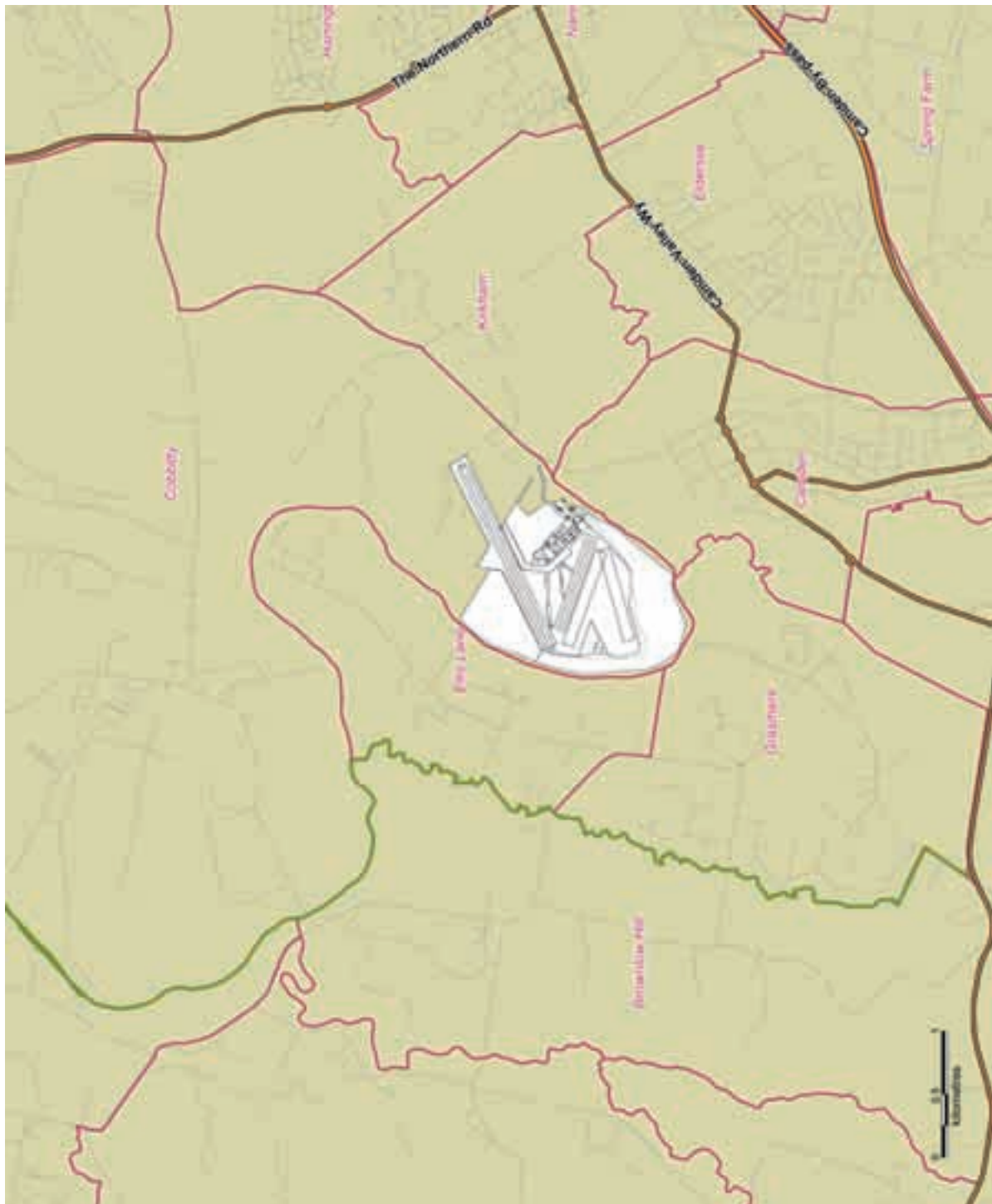
> Figure 4

Camden Airport Locality Plan



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-  LOCAL GOVERNMENT AREA BOUNDARY
-  SUBURB BOUNDARY
-  CAMDEN AIRPORT BOUNDARY



> Figure 5

Camden Airport Aerial Photo



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> Figure 6

Camden Airport Current Land Use Layout



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|  | AVIATION TENANCY BUILDINGS & ASSOCIATED TAXI WAYS |  | RURAL ZONE |
|  | AIRCRAFT MOVEMENT & PARKING AREAS |  | MIXED USE, AVIATION AND NON-AVIATION |
|  | RUNWAY COMPLEX & ASSOCIATED CLEARANCES |  | ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION ZONE |
|  | EXISTING NON-AVIATION TENANTS, SURFACE ACCESS & UNUTILISED LAND | | |

