

COCKBURN COAST

District Structure Plan

Cockburn Coast - Historical Timeline

- 1981 The Coogee Coastal Study Steering Committee was established by the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) to study the coastal areas surrounding the Coogee Beach and make recommendations on the most effective uses of land in that area.
- 1987 Coogee Industrial Area Study Report was prepared to further investigate the options previously outlined. The Study noted that the land south of the railway (Port Coogee) had attributes suitable for residential development. The Study assessed the costs of industry relocation against the likely revenue from land sales and identified North Coogee as an appropriate site for relocation of industry.
- 1987 Heads of Agreement signed between the State Government and the City of Cockburn, covering land south of Rollinson Road, setting out the directions for the future land use in the study area. This agreement largely focussed on the retention of the area north of the railway line primarily for industrial purposes and the development of a marina and other urban uses south of the railway at Port Coogee.
- 1992 South Fremantle Power Station de-commissioned.
- 1993 Coogee Master Plan prepared, promoting the relocation of industry from South Coogee (Port Coogee) to North Coogee near the existing Robb Jetty Abattoir, thereby facilitating development south of the railway line. The Master Plan outlines North Coogee as a biotechnology park, specifically encouraging the development of seafood related industries.
- 1994 Robb Jetty Abattoir, originally dominating the Robb Jetty estate, ceased operations.
- 1995 Landcorp initiates sales within the Robb Jetty industrial area for industrial purposes.



- 1996 City of Cockburn undertakes North Coogee Land Use Review, which concluded there was little justification for industrial development occupying prime coastal land; and recommended residential uses would be a higher and better use than industrial.
- 1997 An interim heritage listing is placed on the South Fremantle Power Station.
- 1998 The WAPC established the North Coogee Master Plan Review Committee to review the 1993 Master Plan and develop planning options. The Committee replaced the Coogee Implementation Committee.
- 1999 City of Cockburn advises some prospective applicants for the Robb Jetty Industrial Estate that a review of the land use for the precinct was underway, including rezoning to possible urban uses.
- 1999 The WAPC takes control of deciding all applications of all classes of development within the study area under Clause 32 of the Metropolitan Region Town Planning Scheme Act 1959.
- 2001 Initial conclusions drawn by the Steering Committee from the North Coogee Master Plan Review is that North Coogee be predominantly retained for industrial development with the northern portion proposed for residential, mixed use development. Before agreeing to release the draft review for public comment, the Minister requested an investigation be undertaken into alternative land use options.
- 2001 Chip Kaufman from Ecologically Sustainable Design Pty Ltd is commissioned to investigate alternative options for North Coogee, resulting in the North Coogee/Robb Jetty-Development of Alternative Options report.
- 2002 Macro Plan prepares a North Coogee-Benefit Cost Assessment, based on the five planning alternatives prepared by Chip Kaufman. The cost and benefit analysis indicated that it is economically and financially viable to develop the residential/mixed-use options.
- 2003 Sale of industrial land within Robb Jetty Industrial Estate ceases due to the emerging vision for the Cockburn Coast.
- 2003 South Fremantle Power Station site remediated to residential standards with the intention for disposal by Western Power.
- 2003 WAPC considers a preliminary report on the future planning of North Coogee but is not prepared to support the principle to zone the area to urban. The WAPC requires further detailed investigations on a number of issues is undertaken.

- 2004 The Minister announces her intention to transform the Robb Jetty industrial area to vibrant, mixed-use community.
- 2005 A community survey and dialogue are conducted to seek community views on the vision plan. The community expressed overwhelming support (87%) to plan the Robb Jetty area for mixed-use, residential development to be integrated with the surrounding communities.
- 2005 Outcomes of the Vision for the Cockburn Coast Dialogue are published. The Minister approves the formation of the Cockburn Coast Steering Committee to progress a district structure plan for the area.
- 2006 Improvement Plan 33 is gazetted over the North Coogee (Cockburn Coast District Structure Plan) area to support the district structure planning process and future rezoning of industrial land to urban.