

Kiama Charrette

NSW Coastal Town Centre

Project Type

Town centre revitalisation charrette

Date

2002

ESD Role

Lead consultant

Project Size

Entire town centre

Client

Kiama Municipal Council

Implementation Status

ESD Charrette Outcomes Report published, partial implementation with further review

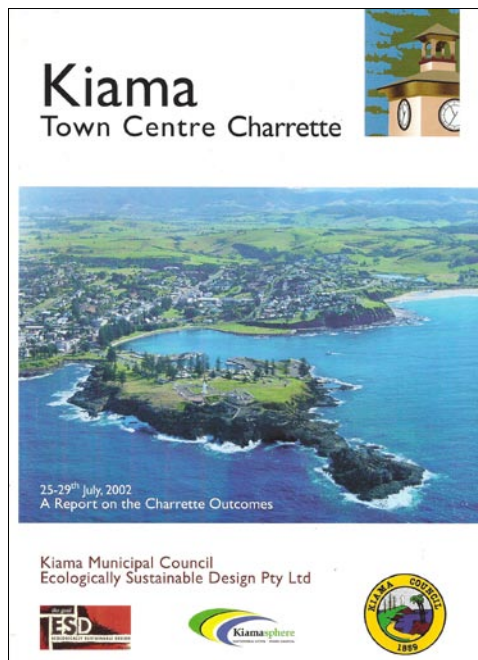


*NEW STREET
FROM BONG BONG STREET TO MARINING STREET
LOOKING NORTH EASTWARDS*

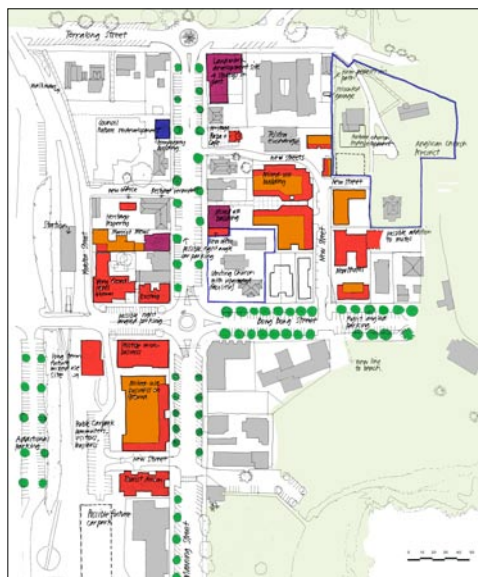
Pleased with the success of its earlier Gerringong Charrette, Kiama Council hired ESD again in 2002 to lead a charrette to plan the future growth and revitalisation of the centre of the beautiful seacoast town of Kiama. The town is experiencing intense growth pressure and is at risk of losing its genuine character and function and instead becoming an expensive bedroom enclave for wealthy commuters to Sydney and Wollongong.

ESD helped the community, landowners and Council to contend with the hard choices of how to grow up rather than out, in order to retain Kiama's surrounding hinterlands and foreshore. Protecting and enhancing Kiama's small town character and heritage, and providing for improved local employment, services and retail were also goals of the charrette. Kiama Council then commissioned ESD to prepare a detailed Charrette Outcomes Report, to serve as the basis for explaining and implementing the plans.

Since the charrette, Council has prepared a Local Environmental Plan for part of the town centre, based on the Charrette outcomes, which is now being implemented.



The Charrette Outcomes Report



Eastern Precinct Plan



*TOWN OFFICE VIEW
DORSET & MARINING STS CORNER*