

Introduction

Mt Druitt:

- Far west from the Sydney Center
- Accessed by railway and buses

Changes in recent years

- Population increases
- Multi-ethnics
- People demands for better living conditions
- Government provision of desired facilities and services
- → self-sufficiency??????

Environment

Open space:

Lawns: poor

management

Parks: lack of facilities

with many restrictions

• Street cleanliness: rubbish bins, littering











Environment

Greenery:

 Quality increases with increasing distance
 from the centre

 → Environment is quite good but there's still room for improvement especially at the centre part



Social Facilities

- Institutional:
 Library, Centrelink
- Education:

 Child Care Centre, 3
 Colleges, 1 Primary
 school
- Medical: Hospital, Medical and Dental Centre







Finding the right info

Sometimes finding the right information is difficult. Centrelink has made this task easier by grouping related information together and colour coding it.

Below are the 12 major topics of

- Parent or Guardian
- Separated or Divorced
- Looking for Work
- Studying or Training
- Self-employed or Farmer
- Crisis or Special Help
- Moved to Australia
- Illness, Injury or Disability
- Caring
- Retirement
- Help after a death
- General Information

experience?

Get the recognition

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Western Sydney Institute itt College

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ognition of Prior Learning!

tudent Recognition Kit and discuss your application or Head Teacher or ask the Customer Service appointment with a TAFE Counsellor.

Social Facilities

Welfare:
 Senior Citizens Centre,
 Women Activities and
 Self Help house

Recreation:
 Clubs, Swimming Pool



Self-sufficiency?

 In terms of its economic aspect:

- Shops
 - supermarket/grocery
 - boutique
 - Salon
 - Pet shop
 - Bakery
 - Travel agency
- Goods
 - Types: both durable a luxurious
 - Prices: lower



- Services
 - House loan
 - Money loan
- House
 - Types: apartments,
 - Prices: around \$200K-\$400K





Linkage?

Between different suburbs

- Work and shop
- Easy transportation
- Educational

Between Mt. Druitt and Sydney

- Mt Druitt being an alternative of Sydney
 - Lower land rent and price
 - Family-ties and friends
- Should have improved transportation



Evidence





Social Problems

- Domestic Violence
- Teen pregnancy
- Unemployment
- Racial disparity
- Drug abuse
- Alcoholism
- Crime
- Gangs
- Malnutrition

Key Issues

- Youth Problems
- Gender
- Family problems
- Cultural differentiation

Community Association

- Women's Activities & Self Help Jouse (W.A.S.H.)
- Youth Health Centre
- The Western Area Adolescent Team

- The Family Violence Team
- Mount Druitt Ethnic Communities Ace





Obstacles encountered by the associations

- 1. Limited funding from the government
- 2. Low salary + Poor transportation
 - = Quick turnover of the employees

Case Study: Mt. Druitt and Tin Shui Wai

	Mt. Druitt	Tin Shui Wai
Self-sufficiency		
(1) Environmental	Livable	???
(2) Social	Adequate	???
(3) Economic	Provision of all-rounded goods and services	Insufficient in several aspects
Linkage		
(1) Among neighbouring suburbs	Strong ties	Loose ties
(2) Between Suburb and city centre	Well-linked but low frequency	Costly and no direct route
Social Problems	Complicated but enormous efforts shown	Ignorance Not enough remedies

Conclusion

- Mt. Druitt as an extension of Sydney
 Metropolis, but very different development
- A typical self-sufficient and liveable suburb in the Far West
- Social problems because of complex multi-culturalism
- Enormous efforts for a better future